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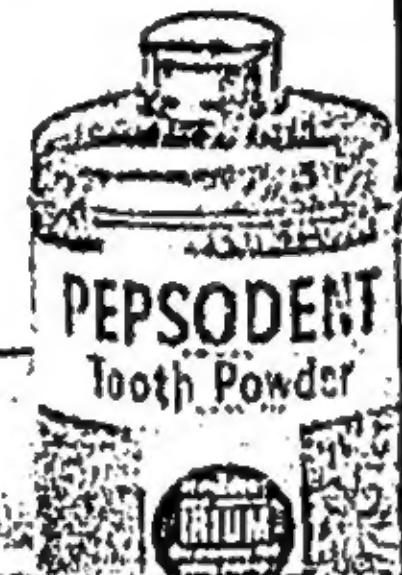
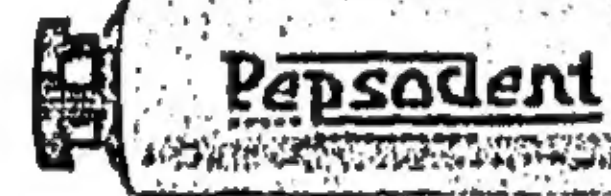
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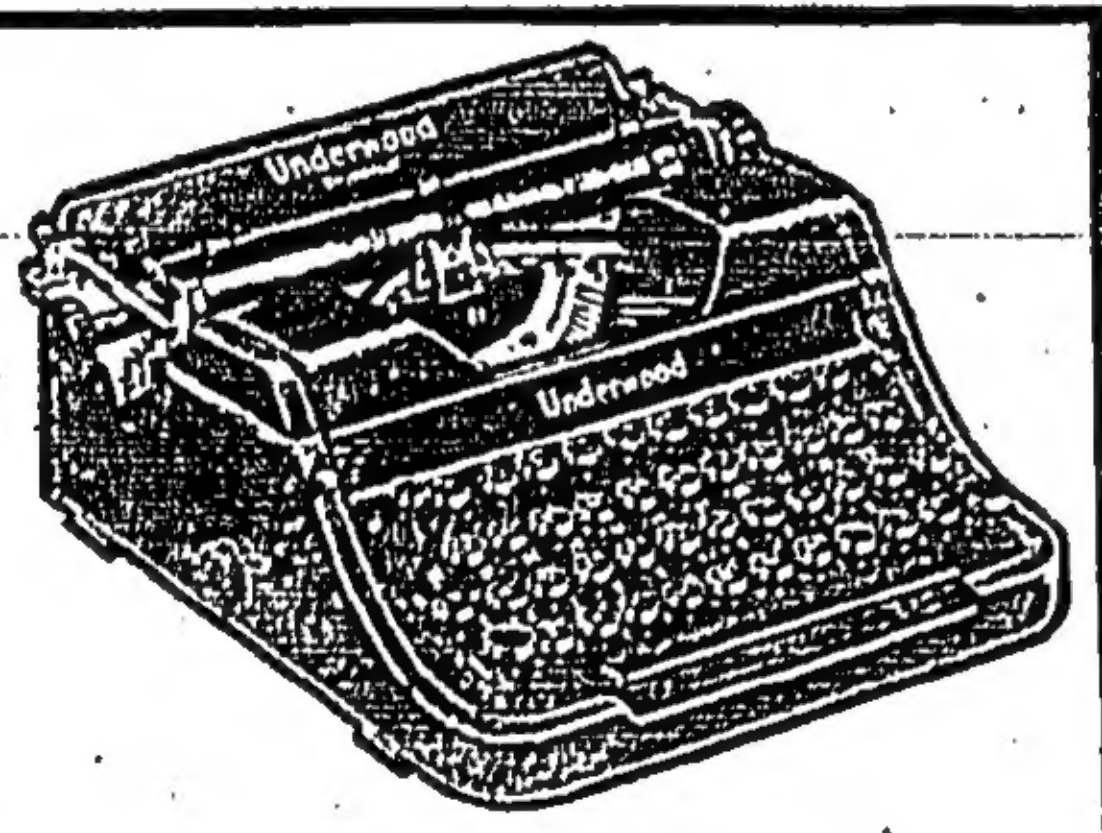
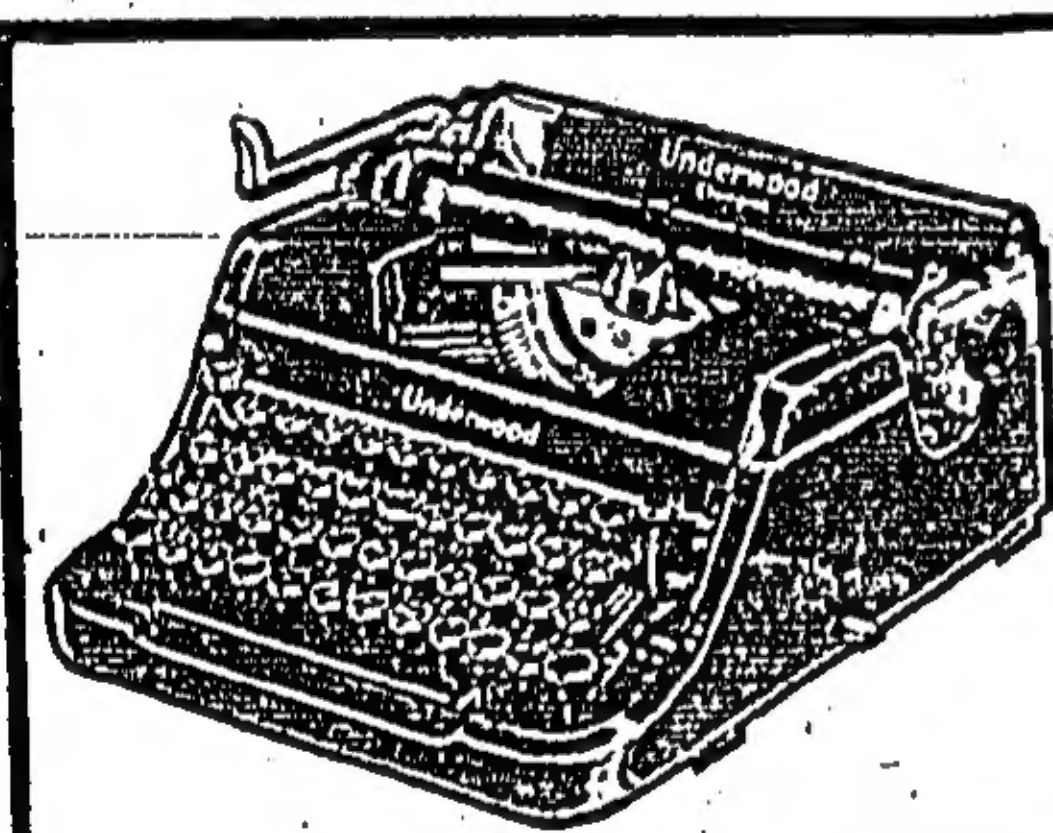
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Here is such a story, told to the London photographer, Howard Coster.

Mr. Coster, who served in the R.A.F. during the great war, had the story from an ace-pilot whom he knew as "Sloppy" Seaman. And this is what "Sloppy" told him:—

Two young Canadian "buddies" in civil life joined up in the same squadron of the R.A.F.

Back from a flight, one made a perfect landing and went on to headquarters to report.

The other, only seconds behind, crashed, and his machine burst into flames.

His cries for help were heard by his friend, who turned on the instant, and shouting "O.K., buddy, I'm coming," dashed into the blazing pyre.

When the flames had been subdued there were two scorched bodies in the wreckage.

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ANOTHER of "Sloppy's" stories may be told in his own language.

"I was waiting for my friend to land up wind on the drome when he flew right over me—about fifty feet up—to the end of the field, then turned with the wind!

"Hell!" I thought. "He's crazy." Then he landed, making a complete turnover. I ran towards him, my heart quaking.

"Unstrap me, old chap, quick," he said.

"Then he stood up and remarked casually: 'How the hell the stork does it! I don't know. Blast! I've torn my best pair of pants, too!'"

Private Designs Women's Dress: Has Army Touch

Spring fashion, 1940, designer Private No. 7686146 Hardy Amies (on leave, pending posting).

SO the first of the London Spring Fashion Parades opened, one might say, under the auspices of the Army.

Mr. Amies is designer to lachasse and in his Tommy's uniform, he presided over the Parade.

He received his clients; cast an eye over each mannequin as she appeared, to see that the models were adjusted to the air degree and worn with the right hat and accessories.

And, in answer to many inquiries he explained how lucky he was to have got leave in time to finish off his designs.

He'd just heard, he said, that he's posted to an officer cadet training unit, and is to report himself.

While other Tommies in their off-time played darts, visited the canteen, or chatted over a pint of beer, Private No. 7686146 saw visions of a new silhouette, influenced by his military surroundings perhaps, which might be summed up as "easy to wear, easy to keep, and easy to clear."

All exaggeration has disappeared. Shoulders are still broad and padded, but not unnaturally broad. Waists are slim, and in the place where nature made them.

Once Bitten?

Plants are unpressed and hand softly in folds (perhaps Private Amies was a batsman and now realises how difficult it can be to keep creases really well pressed).

Skirts are either straight cut with unpressed pleats, or slightly flared; sometimes made with eight or ten gores.

Comfortable box jackets and Norfolk-type jackets are favoured, and little high-necked blouses are

worn, tucked loosely into the waist like the soldier's new battle-dress. Like colours are all soothing, pastel shades, and include many browns and greys. Skirts are 16in. to 17in. off the ground.

U.S. Buys

Mr. Amies uses all-British materials, and many tweeds in plain and checks.

For early summer, there are simple crepe-de-chine frocks, patterned in wide ribbon stripes and worn with long, light woollen coats in plain colours. Coats, like skirts, are usually slightly flared, and sometimes worn with a matching woollen sash.

Agents for American fashion firms were present at the show, and a number of American buyers are expected shortly by Clipper.

DISNEY'S NEXT ARE—

WALT DISNEY, creator of Mickey Mouse and Snow White, is to spend £4,200,000 between now and 1946.

He has planned six full-length films and will release them one a year in this order:

1940—"Pinocchio," an Italian fairy tale.
1941—"Fantasia," in which conductor Leopold Stokowski collaborates.

1942—"Bambi," the story of a deer.
1943—"Alice in Wonderland."
1944—"Don Quixote."
1945—"Peter Pan."

In addition, there will be the usual quota of Silly Symphonies and other shorts.

Our Guide To The Cinema



"Hunchback of Notre Dame" (Queen's and Alhambra)—A new version of Victor Hugo's famous story of medieval Paris and the gypsy girl whose love affairs brought ruin to the lion-hearted hunchback who dwelt among the bells of Notre Dame Cathedral. Starring Charles Laughton with Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Maureen O'Hara.
"They Made Me a Criminal" (Oleontal)—John Garfield, rising movie actor, in a story about a pupil suspected of murder and believed to have been killed in an automobile accident. A fruit ranch provides opportunity for his regeneration. Garfield acts his part with assurance supported by the "Dead End" kids, May Robson, Claude Rains and Gloria Dickson.
"A Chump at Oxford" (Kings)—A comedy extravaganza detailing adventures of Laurel and Hardy at Oxford. Laurel masquerades as a misadventurer and later as a burlesque peer with "refined" accent and monocle.
"All Quiet on the Western Front" (Majestic)—In sight and sound this film betrays the passing of the years, but the expert direction of Lewis Milestone and acting of Lew Ayres, Louis Wolheim and Slim Summerville make it well worth seeing again. Remarkable story, too, comes at an opportune moment.

GREW HEAVIER AS HE GREW OLDER

His System was Becoming Sluggish

It is the fate of many people to put on weight after reaching the age of forty. This is usually a sign that the internal organs are getting sluggish and lazy in their work. The remedy is simple—the little daily dose of Kruschen can be counted on to put matters right, as it did in the case of this man:—

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 The Comedy Harmonists—Liebesfeld, Humoreske, In A Porcelain Market, Solitude, with Piano accompaniment.

12.43 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Patricia Rossborough at the Piano—Going Greek—Selection, Gangway—Selection, 52nd Street—Selection, China Doll Parade.

1.15 Johnny Johnson and His Orchestra—Is It True What They Say About Dixie? Rhythm Saved the World, I Feel Like A Feather In The Breeze, Eeny Meeny Miny Mo, All My Life.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Josephine Baker, Les Allen and Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Schubert—Piano Quintet in A Major, Op. 114 ("Trout" Quintet)—Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano), Mangelst (Violin), Howard (Viola), Withers (Cello) and Hobday (Double-Bass).

6.33 Songs by Heinrich Schamus (Baritone)—To Sylvia, Spring will Come, with Piano accomp.; Largo Al Factotum, with Orchestral accomp.

6.43 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.45 Albert Sandier and His Orchestra with Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Nan Maryska (Soprano).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Short Variety Programme—8.30 London Relay—"The Nazis at War"—An Epilogue to "The Shadow of the Swastika."

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Dance Music.

9.55 London Relay—Commentary on the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race.

10.15 "Yes Madam?"—Bobby Howes, Binnie Hale and Company with the Hippodrome Theatre Orchestra conducted by Joseph Tunbridge.

10.50 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—"London Let's Dance"—John Sweet As Apple Cider, Nellie Dean, The Six Swingers, Ring Dem Bells, I'm In The Mood for Swing, Lionel Hampton and His Orchestra; Ferdinand The Bull, Lillian, Horace Heldt and His Brigadiers; Charmaine, What'll I Do, Josephine Bradley and Her Ballroom Orchestra; If This Is Only The Beginning, You Started Something, Billy Bennett's Rhythm; Nada Mas, Frio, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro, Dardanelles, The Bolts of St. Mary, Horace Heldt and His Brigadiers; I'm Singing A Song for the Old Folks, Billy Cotton and His Band.

12.00 midnight. Close Down.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

A Two-Piano Recital From the Studio

Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 12.15-2.30 p.m. and 8-10.35 p.m. on 9.52 m.c. per second.

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10.30-11.30 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from the Union Church.

12.15 Cesar Franck—Sonata in A Major—Alfred Corti (Piano) and Jacques Thibaud (Violin).

12.43 Songs by Margherita Ferras (Soprano)—Ach, Ich Liebe, Marten Aller Arten, with Orchestral accomp.

12.53 Litoff—Second Movement from Concerto Symphonique No. 4.

Irene Scharrer (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Henry Wood.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Harold Williams (Baritone), the B.B.C. Male Chorus and Light Orchestra—Savoy Cavalcade—English Medley, Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra; Wrap Me Up In My Tarapaulin Jacket, The Lancers; You Started Something, Billy Bennett's Rhythm; Nada Mas, Frio, Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro, Dardanelles, The Bolts of St. Mary, Horace Heldt and His Brigadiers; I'm Singing A Song for the Old Folks, Billy Cotton and His Band.

1.55 Brahms—Symphony No. 3 in F Major, Op. 90—William Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

2.30 Close down.

7.0 Borodin—Quartet No. 2 in D Major—Pro Arte Quartet.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Two Songs by Derek Oldham (Tenor).

8.10 Studio—Rachmaninoff Suite No. 2 for Two Pianos, Op. 17 by Luba Shafstain and Lyla Gurevitch.

8.45 Studio—Talk on "Science and War" by Mr. D. F. Davies.

9.05 Beethoven—Romance in G, Op. 40—Ethem Zimbalist (Violin) and Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—Despatch from the Front by a B.B.C. News Observer.

9.45 Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) and Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra—Stradella—Overture, Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra—Conduct. by Sir Dan Godfrey; Son O' Mine, The Jolly Roger, Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra; Dancer of Seville, The Two Imps, Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

10.05 Handel—Concerto For Orchestra in D (With Organ)—Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the London Symphony Orchestra with Harold Dawber at the Organ.

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

10.35 Close down.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 2, 1890.
The closing performance of the very popular pantomime at the City Hall, by the A.D.C., on Saturday night, can scarcely be classed amongst the chief successes of the piece, except, perhaps, from a financial point of view. There was a crowded house, all the great people, and many more who desire to be considered prominent personages, being there. It was not easy to say why the result was unsatisfactory. Amongst the artists, principal and unprincipled, played his or her best—some a little more than was quite generous to the rest, and the two A.D.C. were looking their best in racing book-making costumes. But the piece dragged and the audience were too languid to encourage the entertainers, and so it was a general relief when everything was over. Among the redeeming "bits" were Ali Baba's new topical song "That's so," a pas sent by Mlle. Laurette—whose subsequent stumbling was oppressed with a very unbecoming wig—and, far the best of all, the now well-known duet between Mrs. Gossin and Mr. Slopier, "I'm afraid there is somebody looking." Still, notwithstanding Saturday night's frostiness, the season's novelty may be regarded as a success, and we are sure of everybody's support when we express the hope that the A.D.C. will be encouraged to essay something more out of the beaten track before very long.

25 YEARS AGO

March 2, 1915.
This morning, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, the Rev. Fr. F. Gabardi celebrated his jubilee in the priesthood. He was ordained in the year 1890, at Milan. High Mass, celebrated by Fr. Gabardi, was well attended by the members of the Catholic community. Among those assisting were His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni (who was ordained a priest 30 years ago yesterday), the Archbishop of Macao, the Director of St. Joseph's College, Macao, the Vicar General of Macao, and several other clerics from Macao, as well as the local priests and brothers.

10 YEARS AGO

March 2, 1930.
In the House of Commons at question-time to-day, Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, stated that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald recently received a communication in regard to the proposal to withdraw as from April 1, the armed guards from His Majesty's ships. Among those assisting were His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni (who was ordained a priest 30 years ago yesterday), the Archbishop of Macao, the Director of St. Joseph's College, Macao, the Vicar General of Macao, and several other clerics from Macao, as well as the local priests and brothers.

A further slump in the sterling value of the Hongkong dollar is to be feared. This morning, the opening quotation on demand was 1s. 5.13/10d, which is the lowest in the history of the Colony.

The valuable work done during the course of the past year by the Kowloon Residents' Association was reviewed in a comprehensive manner by Mr. C. M. Hanners, who presided, at the annual meeting, held at St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday evening.

The President, addressing the meeting, said: "I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without reference to a farwell speech to the Council on January 23 in connection with a re-organization of the Public Health and Sanitary services."

His Excellency said: "I do not pretend to prophesy what form it will take, but there is one form which in my opinion it certainly ought not to take and that is the establishment of a municipality."

The creation of municipalities would duplicate the administrative machinery of the Colony to an intolerable extent. It would be excessively uneconomical and it would be open to all the political objections which would beset democratic institutions if introduced into Hongkong. I sincerely hope that nothing of the kind will be attempted."

We cannot entirely agree with His Excellency's viewpoint and are of the opinion that the time will come when Government will find it advisable to institute some form of municipal control of purely domestic matters. We feel that it is the duty of any community to take an intelligent interest in municipal affairs and we hope our Government will see the wisdom of apportioning duties to a local council which would be actuated by a civil spirit all to the good of the Colony.

5 YEARS AGO

March 2, 1935.
Mrs. Almee Semple McPherson, the "Hot Gospelist" of California arrived in Hongkong this morning. During her stay here she will pay a visit to the grave of her first husband, Robert Semple, at Happy Valley.

Two Air Ministry officials, Air Commodore W. L. Welch (Director of Organisation) and Colonel J. F. Turner (Officer Commanding the Air Force at Singapore) and Mr. L. E. Wood (Superintendent Engineer, Singapore) are leaving Singapore for Hongkong tomorrow.

It is believed they will attend a conference regarding air force policy in conjunction with military authorities. The question of necessary expansion in the Air Force if statutory limitations on the Pacific are abolished will be discussed.

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- 9053—Lord of the Air.
- 9054—Hands across the sea. Waltz Brian Lawrence & Orch.
- 9055—We'll remember.
- 9056—Lords of the Air Billy Cotton's Band.
- 9057—Wings of the Navy.
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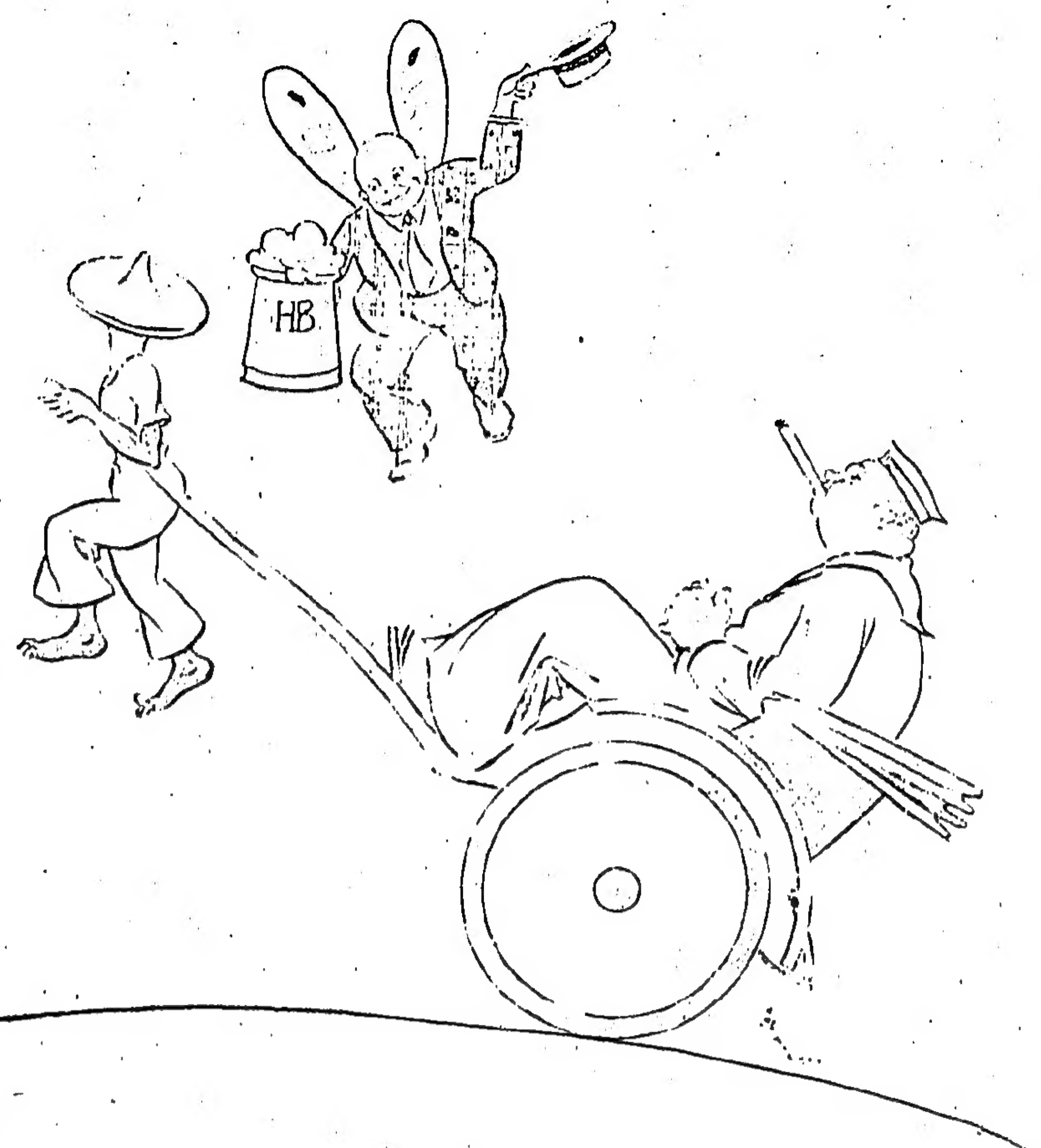
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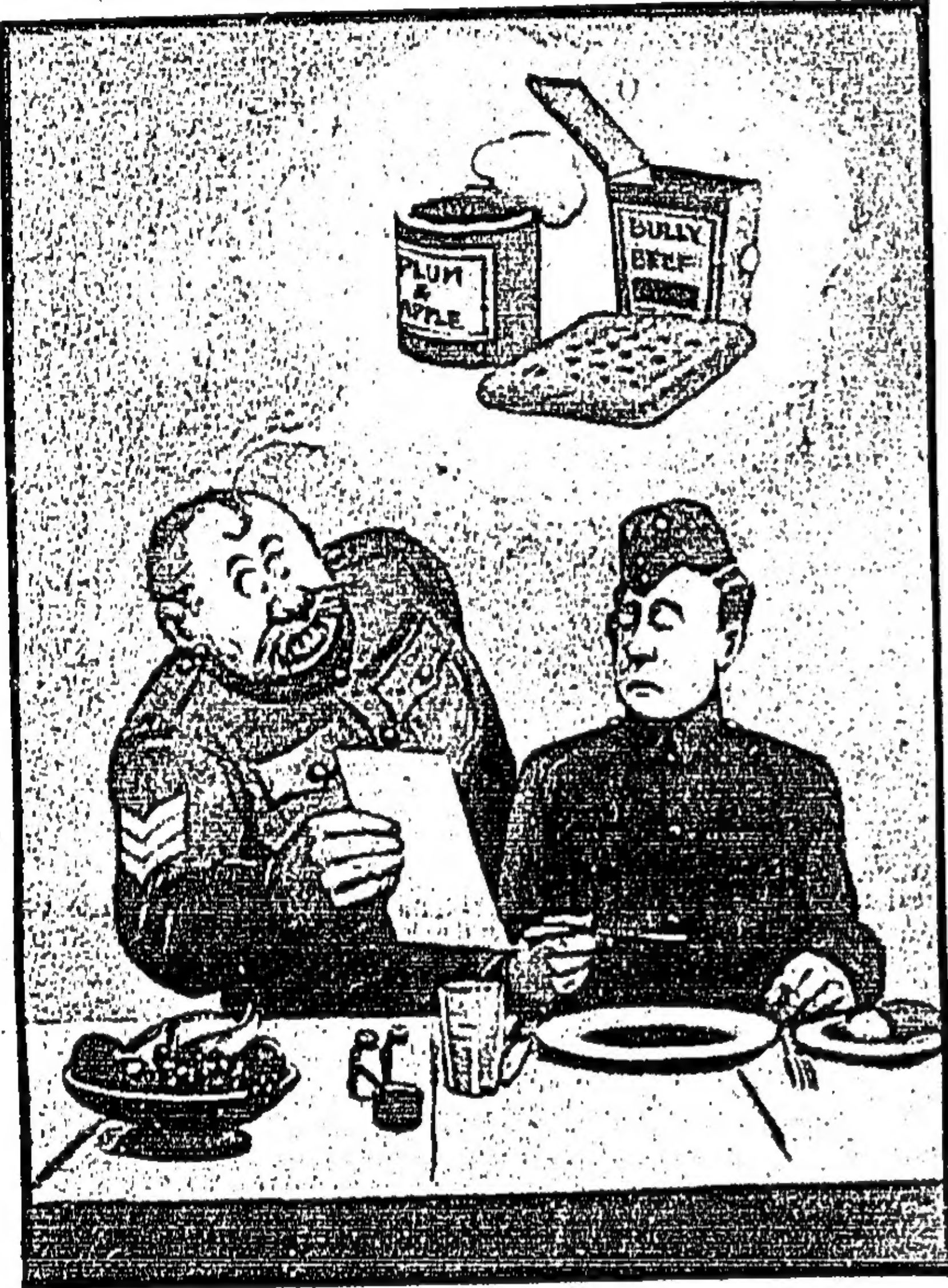


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OLD BILL AT IT AGAIN



"What will you take to follow, Sir? Filets de Sole Bonne Femme, or go straight to the roast duck?" by Bruce Bairnsfather and reproduced from "The Bystander."

GERMAN PRISONER'S FAMILY GAOLED

Knew He Was Alive --Dared Not Tell

ALL the members of a German family, who dared not reveal their knowledge that the son of the family was not dead but a prisoner in Britain, have been gaoled for conducting a memorial service to him "in an unseemly manner."

The son was one of the crew of a Nazi bomber, shot down in a raid on British shipping off the East Coast.

He was posted as dead, and one of the relatives made arrangements for the memorial service. But the same night they heard the British radio announce that the bomber had been saved and was a prisoner.

Knowing that they might be sentenced to death for listening to a foreign broadcast, the family completed the arrangements for the service.

But at the church they found it impossible to keep up the pretence—some of the relatives had even drunk a little too much. So the whole family were imprisoned for "lack of respect to the dead."

The story has reached London through a neutral country.

Sandbag Thefts Death Penalty

Johann, Wellenhammer, a twenty-five-year-old Munich youth, has been executed in Germany for stealing sandbags worth five shillings during the black-out.

Five others have been executed for black-out crimes, and in Lenin-grad a similar penalty was inflicted on a gang for attempted robbery and wounding a soldier.

Russian Refuse Joseph Stalin

Joseph Stalin has been turned down by Soviet Russia. No—not THE Joseph Stalin, but a 9,000-ton cargo boat named after the Dictator.

The boat, for which Russia had paid half the price, was built by a Dutch firm at Saandam.

When the trial "trip was over the Russians, for reasons unknown, refused to take delivery.

The Dutch company says the trial was successful, but thirty-nine Russian experts raised objections, which are now being discussed.

P.S.—This Is Funny!

260 Babies Born

The old man, a typical farmer and remarkably agile for his age, I found

food, as he is not able to feed himself," Mrs. Goebel said.

"I have to hold his cup when he has tea, because he would drop it if he had to hold it himself.

"We are both incurable and alone in the world.

"We never have a visitor, except a woman who calls each month with the church magazine, but I read aloud to pass the time.

"It is lonely here, but I am not unhappy.

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Farmhouse is Now Mothers' Hospital

By HILDE MARCHANT

The only British woman reporter in Finland
 HELSINGFORS.

WOMEN with children and those who are not doing work essential to the life of the capital are told in a final and strongly worded warning issued by the Helsingfors authorities to-day to leave for the countryside.

So far evacuation has been voluntary, but if this last warning is not heeded the authorities will make it compulsory.

I have just returned from a northern evacuation centre where women and children live in comparative safety.

Camouflaged by miles of thick forest and roads so buried in snow that they could not be picked out, they have frequently watched Russian planes fly over them on their way to a nearby industrial town.

As an extra precaution women send their children out to play in white capes, and when an alarm is sounded they scamper into the forest that was once a summer hunting ground.

There they listen to the dull, thumping sound of bombs falling on the town fifteen miles away.

Roads jammed
 This tiny white wooden village—a parallel to the thatched Oxfordshire village where I saw London's children evacuated—has trebled its population, for Finland not only has evacuees but also refugees from the fighting fronts.

I met one woman who had brought her three children and nine-month-old baby from a town in the Karelian Isthmus only a few hours before a heavy bombardment began.

The road was jammed with refugees, leaving behind flaming homes, and all road vehicles were full.

So she piled her children on a sledge, and with the aid of a Lotta (one of Finland's army of women), dragged them ten miles to a railway station.

The clothes they wore were the only things they brought out of their home.

This family is now settled in a house that already holds twenty people.

The local school, fortunately painted white, is a creche for thirty young children. Their mothers are doing war work in factories, so they left their children with foster-parents—a couple in the sixties.

The old woman nursed five sons of her own, now at the front. And she was delighted to have a young noisy family again.

260 Babies Born

The old man, a typical farmer and remarkably agile for his age, I found

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SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY

SHOPS CLOSED IN HUNDREDS

Shop assistants are among the worst sufferers from the wholesale disorganisation of Germany's domestic trade caused by the regimentation of trade and the application of rationing to nearly all essential commodities.

In Berlin alone, reports the Amsterdam "Telegraph," more than 35,000 unemployed retail trade employees have been enrolled for training in industrial work.

These are only a proportion of those who have lost their jobs. Hundreds of shops are being closed every day, while stalls in the markets are becoming steadily emptier. Shops are extending their "hush hour" from one to 3.30, either because they have nothing to sell or because their customers have exhausted their ration allowance.

In many places, including Berlin, trade in clothing and textiles is paralysed by delay in distribution of the new ration cards. Instead of receiving these through the post, people have to wait in queues for them at the municipal offices. Large numbers are still without their cards.

Compulsory Labour Decree

Czechs are now liable to forced labour for the Nazi State. A decree issued in Berlin provides that "compulsory labour service for projects of particular State importance" is to be enforced in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia.

That the Nazis mean to apply the decree with full severity is shown by the fact that the puppet-President, Dr. Hacha, and members of his "Government" are expressly mentioned as the only persons exempt from service.

Woodland Beauty Culture

A beauty expert of the Nazi Labour Front has been telling women how to tend their complexions without using cosmetics, or even soap. She recommends:

A preparation of horse-chestnuts which "fathers like soap"; Boiled pine-needles as another soap substitute for use in the bath; and Stewed ivy-leaves and potato-skins to cleanse the complexion.

Still harping on the uselessness of soap, this expert advises continual bathing, "because the more you bath the less soap you need, and water alone cleans better."

Jewels To Pay Russia

Berlin messages received in Amsterdam state that Germans are to be asked to offer their gold wedding rings and jewels to a "Hitler Fund" to be used to pay for imports from Russia.

In this way their most precious possessions will find their way directly or indirectly into Communist hands.

It is also reported that German living permanently in neutral countries are to be told that it is their duty to hand over their foreign currency holdings to the Reich.

Evacuated By Air

Planes flew near to the farmhouse as the baby's first cries were heard. The operating theatre is the stone-floored dairy, and it has proved remarkably adaptable. The farmhouse has no water laid on, so it is brought in milk cans by sledge.

It is sterilised in the barn at the back. Other Finnish children are still being sent by plane and train into Sweden and Norway.

Though they will not see their families for a long time, they at least are being spared for Finland's future. On my night journey back to Helsinki we stayed for coffee at a wayside station, and on the floor of the waiting-room was a soldier with his wife and two children. They were sound asleep on a mattress.

A porter told me that the man came back on leave on the first day of heavy bombing of his home. He was now taking his family north, then going back to the front.

HITLER IS FULL OF GREAT IDEAS

Hitler has a complete idea for the future of Europe, and he will either translate that idea into reality or fall—with his regime.

That's what Dr. Goebbels told foreign journalists at his country home forty miles north of Berlin at the week-end.

Whoever believed, added Dr. Goebbels, that Hitler would be prepared to yield and seek a compromise with the enemy under pressure of a shortage of raw materials proved that he understood nothing about Germany and Nazism.

Since the outbreak of war Hitler had thought only of victory. He had not attended any concert opera or film entertainments, and there had been no receptions at the chancellery, joys extra-territorially.

'I am ashamed of this Nazi'

GAULEITER WILHELM BOHLE, THE BRADFORD BORN MAN WHOM HITLER HAS CHOSEN TO BE "DICTATOR OF BRITAIN," WAS DENOUNCED RECENTLY—BY HIS UNCLE.

"I am ashamed to own a nephew who is such a rabid Nazi," said Mr. E. W. Bohle, a prominent Birmingham business man.

The choice of Gauleiter Bohle as Britain's future dictator—if Germany wins the war—was revealed in the "Sunday Chronicle" some time ago.

His uncle, who lives in Russell-rd., Moseley, told the "Sunday Chronicle": "I would fight to my last breath to prevent such a thing. I hate everything he stands for and will do all in my power to bring him down."

QUINS' DOCTOR RESIGNS

Dr. Alan Dufosse has resigned his guardianship of the Dionne quintuplets, states an Exchange Montreal message. He will continue as their physician.

Mr. Oliva Dionne, father of the quintuplets, has agreed, following the resignation, to drop his legal proceedings against the guardians.

The quintuplets, born in May, 1934, were made special wards of the King by an Act passed by the Ontario Legislature in 1935. A Board of Guardians was appointed in the same year.

"All I will say is," concluded Mr. Bohle, "that if my nephew were made dictator in this country—and such a thing is fantastic—I would gladly be put in a concentration camp."

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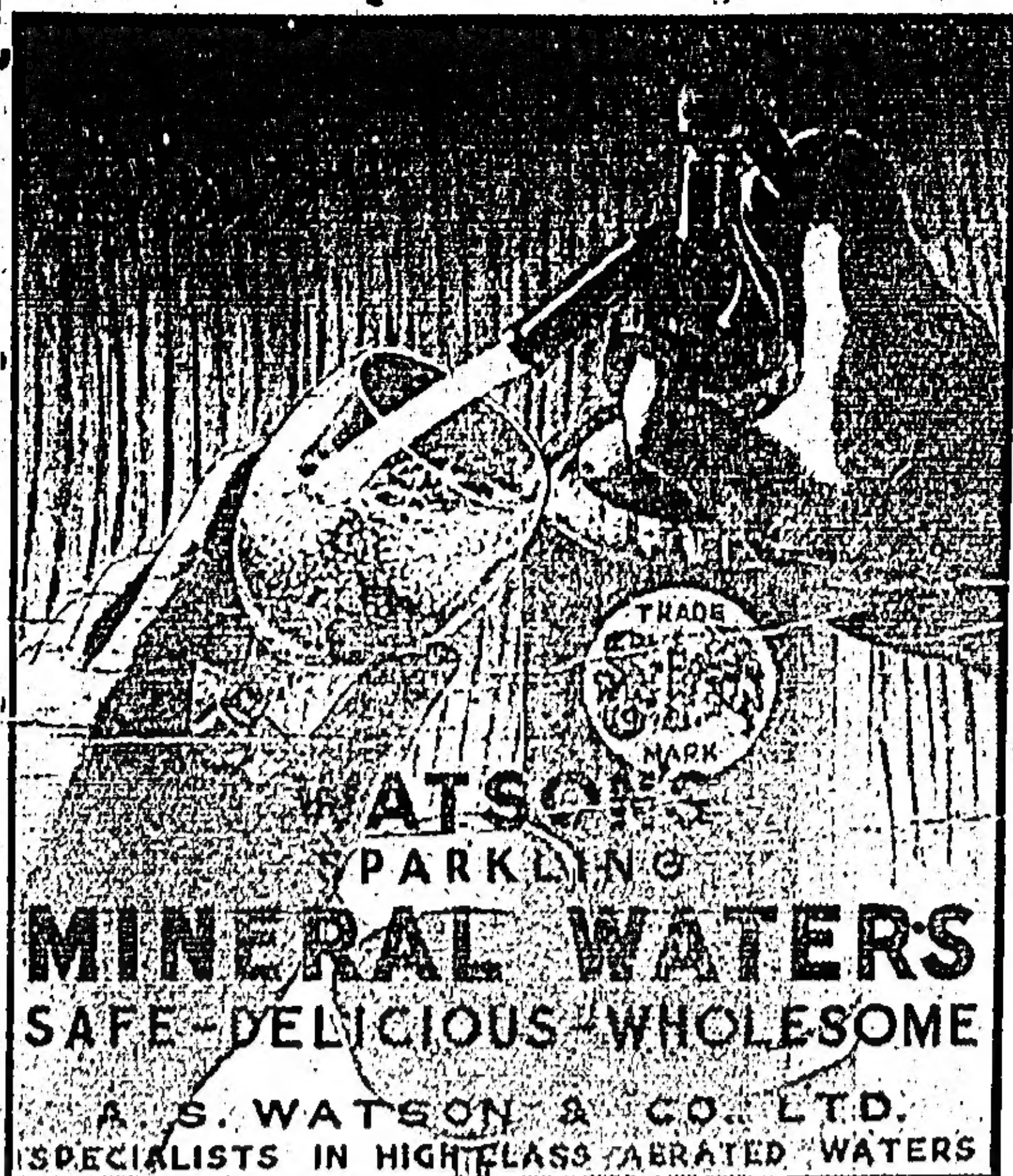
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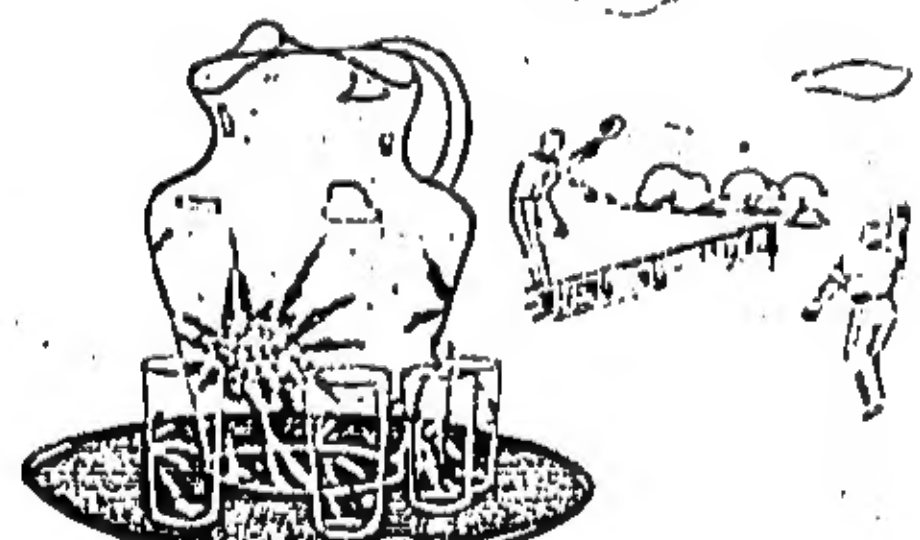
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I Warn the Neutrals: Shun the Crocodile

EVERYONE wonders what is happening about the war. For several months past the Nazis have been uttering ferocious threats of what they are going to do to the Western democracies, to the British and French Empires, when once they set about them.

But so far it is the small neutral States that are bearing the brunt of German malice and cruelty.

We must always be expecting some new bad thing from Germany, but I will venture to say that it is with growing confidence that we await the further developments or variants of their attack.

As you know, I have always, after long and hard experience, spoken with the utmost restraint and caution about the war at sea, and I am quite sure that many losses and misfortunes are lying ahead of us there; but in all humility and self-questioning I feel able to declare that at the Admiralty, as at the French Ministry of Marine, things are not going so badly after all.

INDEED, THEY HAVE NEVER GONE SO WELL IN ANY NAVAL WAR.

Very different is the lot of the unfortunate neutrals. Whether on sea or on land they are the victims upon whom Hitler's hate and spite descend.

Every one of them is wondering who will be the next victim on whom the criminal adventures of

Berlin will cast their rending stroke.

A German major makes a forced landing in Belgium with plans for the invasion of that country, whose neutrality Germany has so recently sworn to respect.

In Rumania, there is deep fear lest by some deal between Moscow and Berlin they may become the next object of aggression.

The Dutch, whose services to European freedom will be remembered long after the smear of Hitler has been wiped from the human path, stand along their dykes as they did against the tyrants of bygone days.

Only Finland, superb, nay sublime, in the jaws of peril shows what free men can do.

The service rendered by Finland to mankind is magnificent. They have exposed, for all the world to see, the military incapacity of the Red Army and of the Red Air Force.

Many illusions about Soviet Russia have been dispelled in these fierce weeks of fighting in the Arctic circle. Everyone can see how Communism rots the soul of a nation; how it makes it abject and hungry in peace, and proves it base and abominable in war.

BUT WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF ALL THESE NEUTRAL NATIONS WERE WITH ONE SPONTANEOUS IMPULSE TO DO THEIR DUTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COVENANT OF THE LEAGUE, AND STAND TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH AND FRENCH EMPIRES AGAINST AGGRESSION AND WRONG?

At present their plight is lamentable, and will become much worse. They bow humbly and in fear to German threats of violence.

EACH ONE HOPES THAT IF HE FEEDS THE CROCODILE ENOUGH, THE CROCODILE WILL EAT HIM LAST. ALL OF THEM HOPE THAT THE STORM WILL PASS BEFORE THEIR TURN COMES TO BE DEVOUR-ED.

But the storm will not pass. It

The Smear of Hitler in the Human Path!

will rage and roar, ever more loudly—ever more widely. It will spread to the South. It will spread to the North.

THERE IS NO CHANCE OF A SPEEDY END EXCEPT THROUGH UNITED ACTION, AND IF AT ANY TIME BRITAIN AND FRANCE, WEARYING OF THE STRUGGLE, WERE TO MAKE A SHAMEFUL PEACE, NOTHING WOULD REMAIN FOR THE SMALLER STATES OF EUROPE, WITH THEIR SHIPPING AND THEIR POSSESSIONS, BUT TO BE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE OPPOSITE, THOUGH SIMILAR, BARBARISMS OF NAZIDOM AND BOLSHEVISM.

In the bitter and increasingly exacting conflict which lies before us we are resolved to keep nothing back and not to be outstripped by any in service to the common cause.

The day will come when the joy-bells will ring again throughout Europe, and when victorious nations, masters not only of their foes, but of themselves, will plan and build in justice, in tradition and in freedom a house of many mansions where there shall be room for all.

PUZZLE CORNER

AT THE SWEET SHOP

"That will be Bopence," said the confectioner. "Oh, I'm afraid I haven't enough money," exclaimed Tim. "But you have twopenny more than I have," replied Tim, "and we have ninnence between us. You have got enough money."

Was Tim right?

WORD SQUARE

From the letters O N A a complete word square can be formed. The same words read across and down, and each contains four letters. Can you make the square? Any of the three letters may be used as many times as may be necessary.

The name word may be used more than once, and proper names are permissible.

AT THE JEWELLERS

The name of a precious stone may be obtained in each case by treating the clues as indicated:

- 1 Change a letter in "Scours."
- 2 Change a letter in "a sea-fowl."
- 3 Change a letter in "a feminine Bible character."
- 4 Change a letter in "an Arctic explorer."
- 5 Change a letter in "to lessen."
- 6 Take away a letter from "a varnish substance."

Answers on Page 8.

Accident-Makers

THERE are motor-car drivers who have frequent accidents and others who have few or none.

The first kind of driver has often little sense of humility or he could profitably read the report "A Study on Accident Proneness among Motor-drivers" that has been prepared for the Industrial Health Research Board.

He would learn from it that he will go on running into the backs of cars, misjudging the size of buses, grazing the gate-post, and wrecking the garage—if nothing worse—until he dies, or is killed, or has his licence suspended.

He might be consoled to find that as he grows older he may do these things less frequently. Even then there will be a period in the early fifties when he will be as dangerous on the road as ever he was when he was young—that stage when he is too old to take risks but not old enough to have realised it.

But if he was constitutionally prone

to accidents when he started driving the conclusion of the experts is that he will still be prone to them after he has driven for years.

THERE are two ways of finding him out. The obvious one on the evidence of the report is to discover from his first few years of driving whether he is given to accidents.

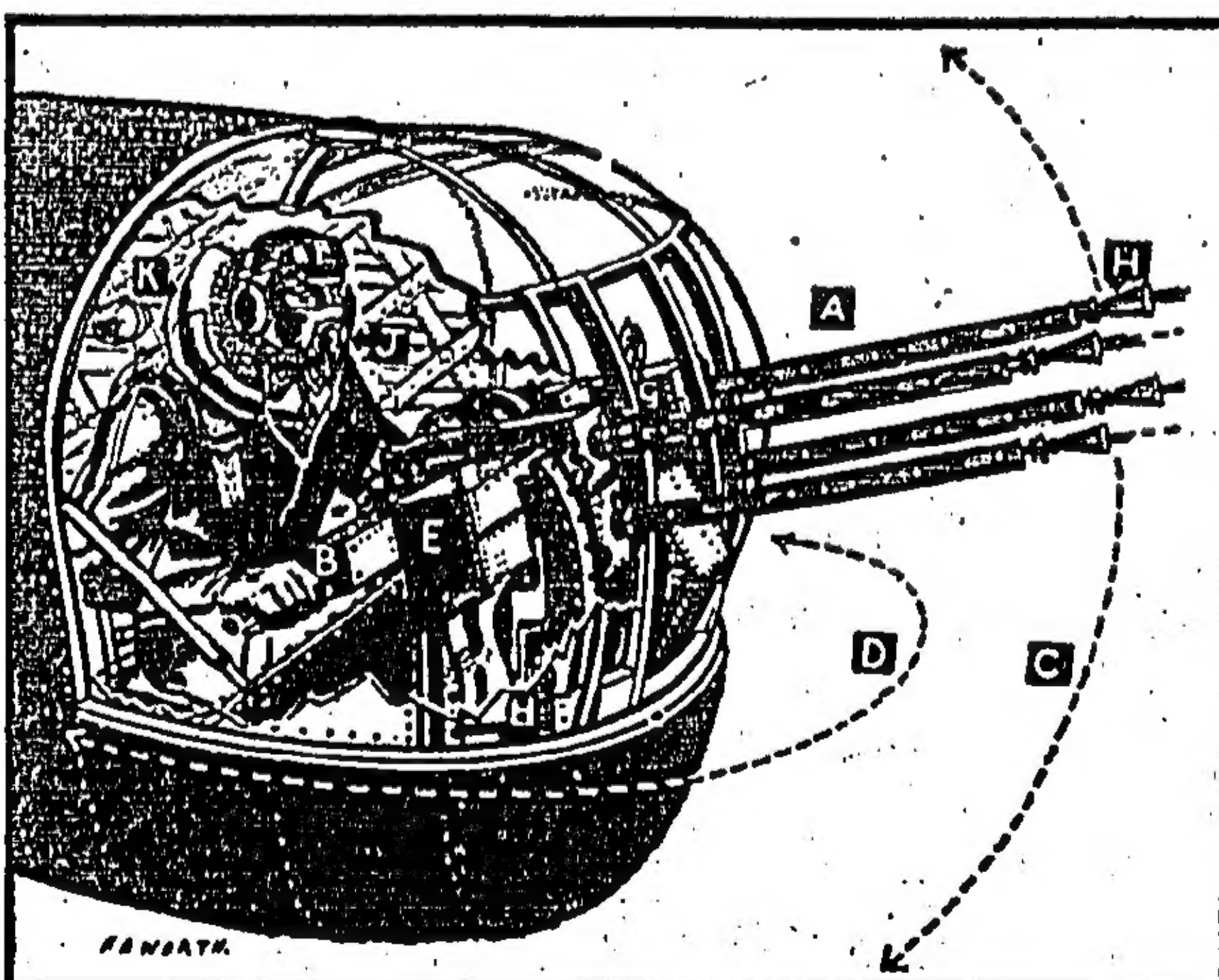
This way has the disadvantage that the trivial mishaps, which are as revealing as the major ones in determining proneness to accidents, are usually a secret between the driver and the garage man.

There is, however, another way in which he can be detected.

By psychological tests on bus drivers in London and elsewhere the authors of the report found that they could to some extent predict which drivers would be most often involved in accidents.

When further experiments have made the tests more reliable there should be many to welcome this means of discovering before they begin to drive a car whether they are fit to do so.

STING IN THE TAIL



The gunner in the tail of Britain's bombers is the man with one of the most perilous jobs in the Air Force—the man who strikes terror into the heart of the Messerschmitt fighter pilots.

In the drawing you see him operating his four Browning guns (A), which fire approximately 100 bullets a minute. Sitting in his tiny round glasshouse he can sweep the sky—upwards, downwards, sideways—by the simple hand-lever control (B).

The guns themselves move only up and down (shown by arc C)—all four together. But the entire

turret can be revolved (as shown by D).

Main details of the gun mechanism are as follows: magazines (E), spent cartridge chute (F), gun-sights (G), and flash-dampers (H). The great advantage of these gun turrets is their ease of control, all manoeuvring being done mechanically.

The gunner keeps in communication by telephone with his pilot, observer, and forward gunner. The microphone (J), in action, is strapped across his face. Round the gunner's neck is his air lifeline (K).

If Hitler Attacks—

WILL the Germans attack on the West Front? Many believe it. Spring, say these prophets, will bring us the birds and the battles.

If war on land should open up in the west we must expect the initial German thrust to be delivered via the Low Countries.

This decision, as I have pointed out before, will carry serious disadvantages. These disadvantages still seem to me to outweigh the advantages. But I must add that the Dutch High Command fully

believe that Hitler will order an invasion of Holland in a few weeks' time.

In this event, where will the blow fall? I predict the Germans will advance westward into South Holland. They will not seek to cross the Dutch "water line," nor the Belgian floodable area of La Campine. Marching between the two the Germans will move straight on to their North Sea objective.

This objective is the Island of Walcheren and the coastal strip of

werp and is cut off from the rest of Holland by the Scheldt estuary.

IT will thus:

- (a) Secure sea bases only 120 miles from Harwich.
- (b) Turn the flank of the main Belgian defences.

These defences consist of three lines:

- (1) The Albert Canal linking the Scheldt estuary and the River Meuse; the fortress area of Liege; the system of pill boxes running southward from Liege, through the Ardennes Forest to the far end of Luxembourg.
- (2) Fortifications running south from Antwerp to the Meuse and thence behind that river to the French frontier.
- (3) Entrenchments running west from Antwerp to Ostend.

If Hitler can establish himself on the Scheldt estuary he can threaten the safety of both (1) and (2) defences. Only (3) stands between him and the conquest of Belgium.

The Belgians are in no situation to oppose Hitler's march through Holland towards their frontier. The Belgian Army is a defensive force, lacking the heavy tanks required for offensive action.

Therefore the Belgians must await the enemy, standing on their own defence line. It will be the task of the British and French to move at once against the invader.

AN Allied expedition to Walcheren and the other islands off the Scheldt and Rhine mouths check the German drive here.

British and French, marching north-east through Belgium, would seek to forestall the German thrust at (3) and push the enemy landing parties back into the water.

At this corner of Europe, then, where Holland, Belgium and the North Sea meet, may come the first great clash of armies in the West.

THOSE U.S.A. PLANES

THERE is a widespread belief that the United States will provide Britain and France with all the aircraft we require. This idea is wrong, and it is dangerous. We must rely on our own output.

The sale of American machines to us is governed by two factors. The first is the limited capacity of the American warplane-producing plant. The second is the obsolescence of their models.

Major George Elliot, in the American Journal Life, estimates that by next Christmas the United States will have provided the Allies with 3,100 planes. The total is made up thus: 2,230 bombers, 710 fighters, 250 flying boats. The major also counts on America supplying 1,185 trainer airplanes.

I give this notice to Major Elliot's calculations because they are so widely quoted in the British Press. In my view such figures are quite inadmissible.

Actually accepted by American firms are orders for about 2,000 warplanes. Delivery is another story.

A few American machines have arrived since the outbreak of war. Most of them are good only for reconnaissance and training. No American machines are used by the R.A.F. as heavy bombers, dive-bombers, or long range fighters. Only the Lockheed Hudson twin

engine has been employed with success on coastal patrol. It has range and reliability, but is not suited to combat.

The Americans are still delivering their Curtiss "Hawk" type to the French. These machines had some early triumphs against the old German Messerschmitts. They are easily outpaced by the new Messerschmitt 110.

Then there is the Douglas D.B. 7 twin-engine bomber, now being delivered in Canada. A superb car-bomber, but no war-bomber.

But the Americans may now be producing some types that would serve us. The trouble have priority in the delivery of these types. By the time we get them they are likely to be out of date.

Air fighting is changing. The reason is: putting armour on the bomber. The Nazis now put armour and deflector plates on their bombers, completely protecting both pilot and navigator.

To counter this the fighter attackers started aiming at the bomber's petrol tanks instead of concentrating on the pilot. The Nazis, however, fitted their craft with leak-proof tanks.

The fighters now aim at the bomber's wings.

And nobody has yet discovered how to put armour on wings. Holland which lies west of Ant-

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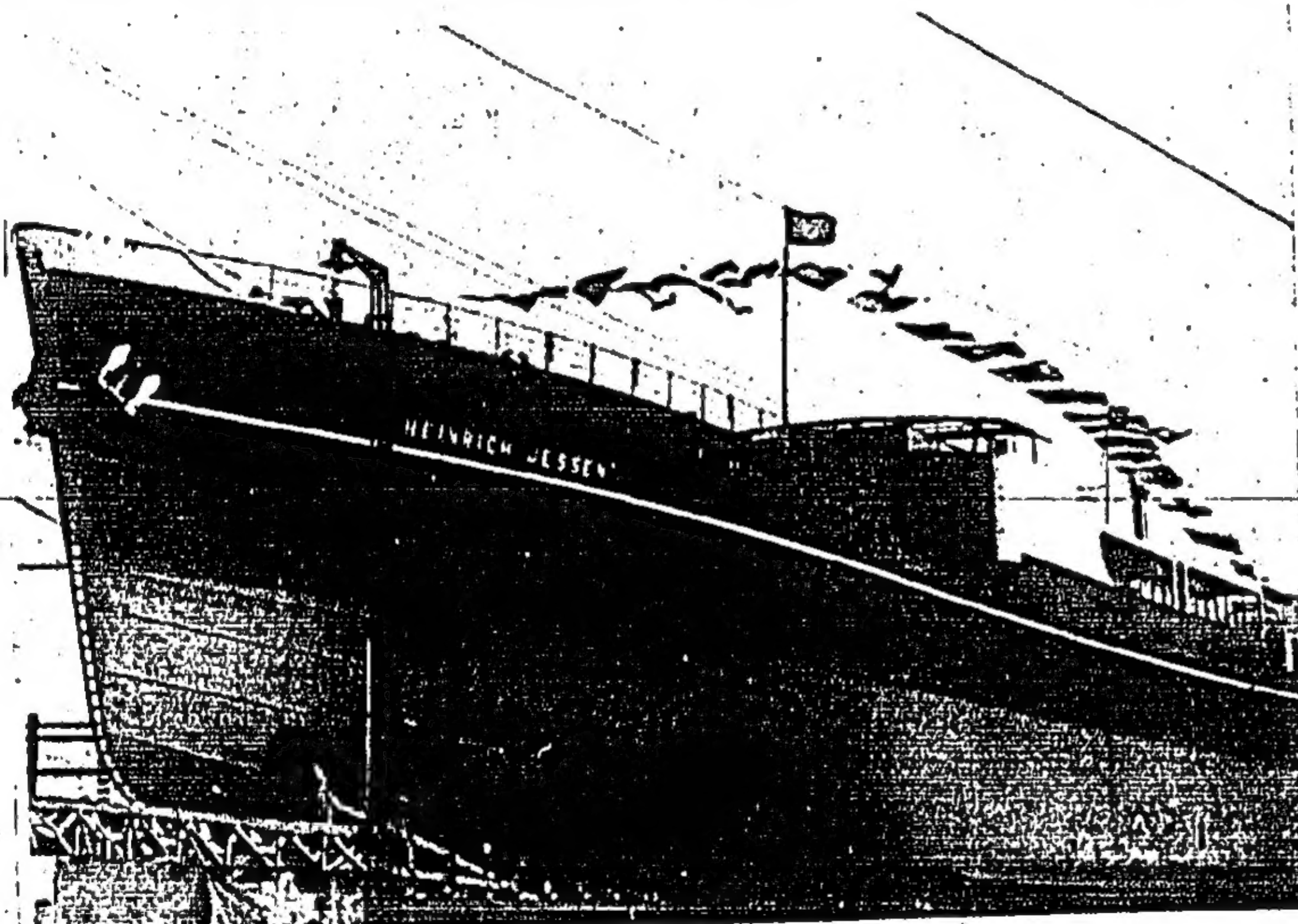
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A well-known Hongkong girl was the bride at a popular wedding at the Park Hotel, Shanghai recently, when Miss Dora Ellis married Mr. Robert Kwok. The bride and groom are here pictured after the ceremony.



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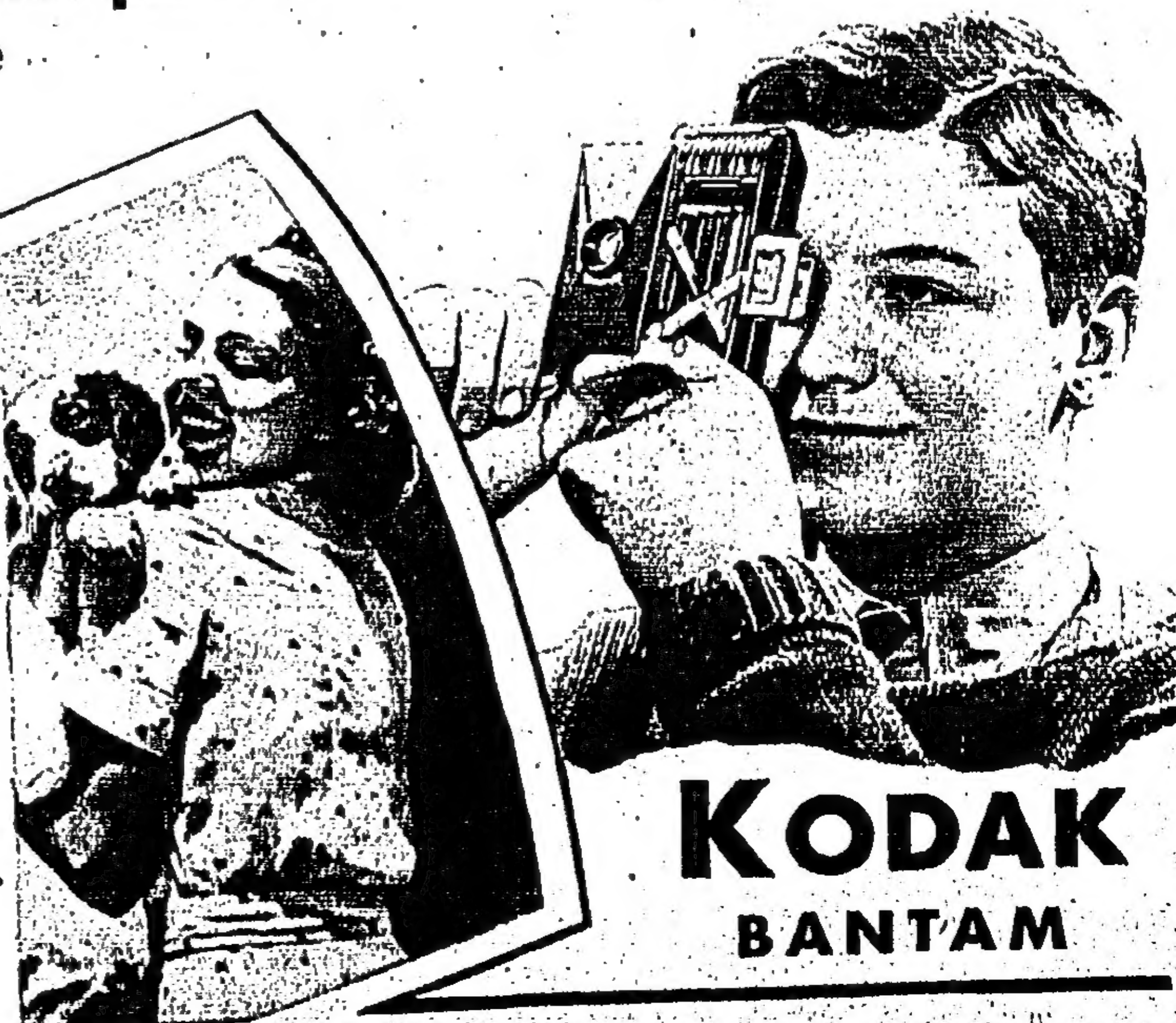
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On this page we have some recent Hongkong events illustrated. Top left, the bridal party after the picturesque wedding of Miss Lau Koh-moo and Mr. Shing Yat-sing. Both are the children of prominent Hongkong businessmen, and the wedding attracted considerable attention. Lower left, shows the teams which took part in opening match of the War Department Chinese Staff Recreation Club's miniature football league on the Southern Playground last week. Above, Mr. and Mrs. Wright after their marriage at the Hongkong Union Church. Mrs. Wright was formerly Miss Lilian Reid Sinclair. Below, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote delivering his speech at the opening of the China Light and Power Company's new power station at Hok Un.—Pictures by Ming Yuen.




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The GREAT BREAD PLOT

By W. S. Wetmore

IN December, 1850, I returned to China from a visit to the United States, and on reaching Hongkong found that hostilities had broken out at Canton between the English and Chinese which had resulted in the withdrawal to Hongkong and Macao of all foreigners from the place, and the destruction of their residences, known as "factories", which for so many years had been in their occupation.

A very inimical feeling towards foreigners was manifested by the Chinese generally, and the rowdy element in the population about Hongkong in particular, embracing pirates and land robbers, took advantage of the existing state of things to practise their villainies in the most open and bare faced manner, in which they were doubtless encouraged by their own authorities.

Every steamer running between Hongkong and Macao was well armed and provided with guards, and foreigners travelling by them carried their own revolvers ready for use, but, in spite of all precautions, several steamers were captured by ruffians who had smuggled themselves on board in the guise of passengers.

Indeed, such was the condition of matters that foreigners had to go armed wherever they went, and to be constantly on their guard, and I remember dinners in Hongkong where each guest, as he sat down, drew his revolver and placed it on the table before him.

I took up my residence at Macao, but had frequently to go over to Hongkong on business, and the passage to and fro was always a most anxious one; the Chinese passengers were put down in the hold and sentries with loaded guns stood over the hatchways, ready to fire upon them in case of any indication of an attempt at rising.

ONE day, in January 1857, I had occasion to go over to Hongkong to despatch my mail letters, and put up at the Club. On the morning of the mail's departure I breakfasted early with several friends, and we then retired to our rooms to finish our letters.

I sat writing for a little while, when I began to experience such extraordinary sensations that I felt certain I was going to have a serious attack of illness of some kind. I attempted to go on with my letter, but could not do so; and brought it to an abrupt ending saying "I am suddenly taken ill and can write no more."

As I placed it in the envelope I heard sounds coming from the next room, which had been vacant and in a gale of wind, I should have thought indicated a desperate case of sea sickness.

It at once flashed into my mind that my neighbour was suffering from the same cause as myself and that, perhaps all the inmates of the Club had been poisoned in some way.

I hastened to the room of one of my friends who had breakfasted with me, and opening his door without ceremony, found him sitting back in his chair with an unfinished letter before him, his eyes protruding and a bewildered look on his face.

"Have you felt well since breakfast?" was my immediate question. "No," he said "on the contrary I have been feeling very badly, and was just going to speak to you about it."

"Come then," I replied, "let us go and see a doctor at once, as I am sure we have been poisoned." With that we both left the room, and, as we came out on the corridor we met another friend who called out, "If you are going to breakfast don't touch the bread as it is full of arsenic."

OUR sensations then can be better imagined than described. We hastened down the stairs, and, as we reached the hall below, found a group of fellow sufferers to whom Captain Busseno, of one of the Woosung opium ships, was administering copious draughts of mustard warm water and he cheered us up by saying that this would put us all right, as he had gone through a similar experience during the previous war, and had successfully used the same remedy.

With us, however, it did not seem to prove efficacious, and we started for a neighbouring chemist to procure a more powerful antidote, but found the place crowded with foreigners each waiting his turn for a dose.

It was like a run upon a bank, the assistants taking the place of cashiers and paying out doses of ipecacuanha as fast as they could prepare them; instead of dollars, the enormous throngs, but, active as they were, we saw there would be no chance for us for a long time; and, as our sensations were getting more and more disagreeable, and the moments precious, we hastened to our doctor, and though he was busy engaged in the same way, there were fewer there and we were soon supplied with the necessary remedy.

WHEN we were enabled to collect our thoughts, and learned that nearly the whole of the foreign colony were in the same position as ourselves, including the Governor, Sir John Bowring, most of the Government officials, and the officers and crews of many of the vessels in port, who had all been supplied with bread by the same baker the principal one in the place, a Chinese named Allum.

Probably a more remarkable sight has never witnessed than was seen in Queen's Road that morning as people hurried to and fro, scarcely knowing where they were going or what they were doing; all had a dazed and bewildered look, and no one could tell what would be the end of it.

Confidence was, however, gradually restored as it became generally reported that the consequences were not likely to be so serious as was at first anticipated but still a very uneasy feeling continued to prevail among the victims and instead of the usual invitation to visitors, "Have a glass of sherry?" it was "Take a little warm water and mustard," and the latter was almost the sole beverage of the day.

Very fortunately the charge put in the bread was so heavy—there being enough arsenic in an ordinary slice to kill three or four people—that its presence was felt in an unmistakable way before it had time to be absorbed into the system, so that in most cases it was removed without much mischief being done, though several deaths that occurred soon after were attributed to the poisoning. If the dose had not been so large as to lead to the prompt discovery of the attempt, the tragedy would have been one of the most terrible recorded in history, as nearly all the foreigners in Hongkong must have perished, and the place been rendered an as defenceless that it might perhaps have been easily captured and occupied by the Chinese, which is probably what was intended.

THE perpetrator of the deed escaped to Macao early in the morning, with all his family in a small steamer he had chartered. I returned to that place in the afternoon, and soon after our arrival there, Allum was arrested on the demand of the Hongkong authorities, and conveyed to the Station of the Praya.

I was present, with a number of other victims of the poisoning, when he was brought in, and such was the excitement that I am certain he would have been lynched on the spot had he not been well guarded, but the angry crowd had to content themselves with flourishing their sticks in his face, and expressing their opinion of him in the most forcible pidgin English at their command.

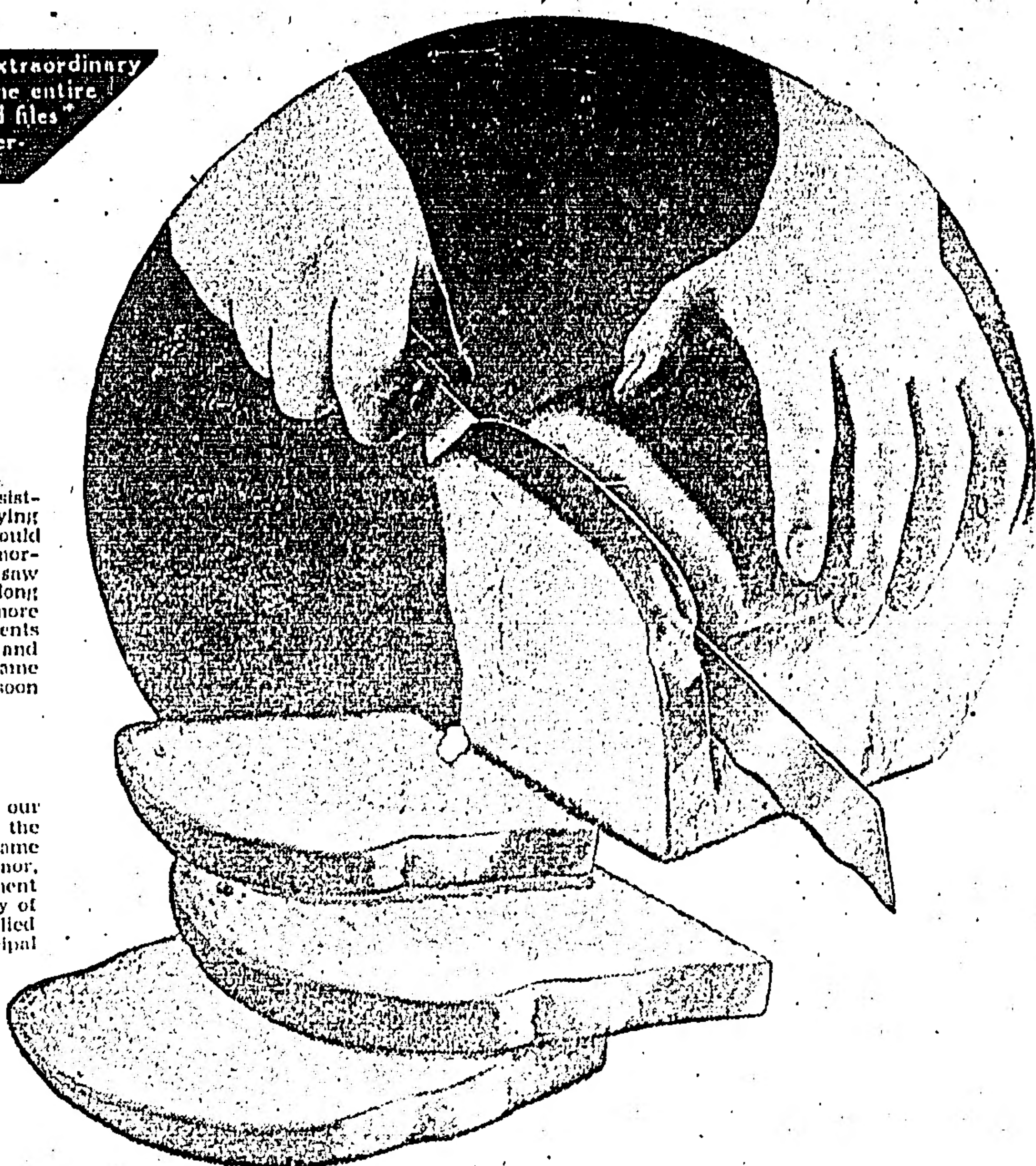
He was at once conveyed to Hongkong under a strong escort, and, in due course, was tried under British law, before a British Jury, and as the only evidence available was that of men in his employ, of course, none of them knew anything about it, and much to the general disgust, he had to be acquitted of the charge made against him.

He was, however, deported from the colony as a dangerous character, was well rewarded, it was reported, by his own Government and went to Siam where, it is said, he flourished and became a rich man.

The incident intensified the feeling of uneasiness existing among foreigners, and the dread of assassination was ever present.

Many people would not touch food that had passed through Chinese hands, and even oranges, eggs and such like were subjected to careful examination before being eaten.

Certainly, life in that neighbourhood was not pleasant in those days, but strange to say, the relations existing between foreigners and Chinese at the more Northern ports continued to be perfectly friendly, and were not at all affected by the hostilities at the South.



TO-MORROW

Carnage is rampant, tyranny is life.

Havoc is threatening the framework of life:

Yet do we walk beside a tranquil stream

With justice, hand in hand. The tortured dream

Of greed and power shall fade, as the shallows

Merge with the pool; till silence hallows

Their friendly union. So liberty shall find

Her day of joy, transcendently enshrined.

For, beyond this passing eve of sorrow

Lies a great and glorious to-morrow.

These things endure: The quiet faith that heeds no weakening fears,

Courage that lifts higher than soothing tears;

The shining grail of honour's deathless creed;

And love's immortal kingdom

And little things, that clothe our everyday

With jewels fairer than the flowers of May.

The singing kettle on the hob; the clink

Of shining spoons when cups are set to drink

Good tea; the spicy smell of new-baked bread;

And smoke clouds wreathed about your head

From friendly pipes; the eager stumbling gait

Of infant feet; low chairs that patient wait

About the fire-lit hearth; the soft star-shine

Of loving eyes; and loyalties that deep entwine

Tendrils unbreakable about the constant heart.

No temporal power Can stay the bud from breaking into flower

When springtime calls. Nor can man's puny might

E'er quench the undying fires that light

The altars of the soul. These things remain

Though strife may tear asunder, rend in twain

The outward life; the spirit, undismayed.

To none shall bow, save Victory's accolade.

ARVON MOWBRAY.

OF COURSE YOU KNOW—BUT ARE YOU SURE?

Just to give you a break, I've avoided all references to war in this week's teasers. As far as this column is concerned, the war has ceased to exist.

The scoring, in war or in peace, remains unchanged. Take two points for each correct answer. Thirty is good, 40 excellent, and 50 magnificent.

1.—If you found an extensive deposit of pitchblende in your backyard you would be pardoned for your undue display of exultation because the stuff—

Is of great value to makers of paint; contains substances material to the manufacture of explosives; contains radium and other rare minerals; has a ready sale to asphalt makers.

2.—Popular at parties a few years ago was a gadget called the planchette. People used to have fun with it—

Mixing strange drinks; communicating with the spirit world; tuning-in to distant stations; transmitting messages by thought transference.

3.—Most famous writers of picturesque novels are Defoe, Le Sage and Fielding. Picaresque novels are written about—

Love; chivalry; history; romance; rogues; contemporary manners.

4.—You may have a camera or you may not. Anyhow, the word photomicroscope is used scientifically in respect of—

The effective range of high-speed photographic lenses; the scope of human vision; the luminous atmosphere enveloping the sun; the method of measuring light intensities.

5.—Sir John Mandeville, Baron Münchhausen, Louis de Rougemont and Ananias all had one thing in common. They were—

Intrepid explorers; gay adventurers; colossal liars; glib soldiers; famous liars.

6.—Otto Lilienthal was a German, but still he is entitled to honour because of his valuable pioneering work in—

Medicine; physics; aviation; radio; television; marine engineering.

7.—The oldest written constitution in the world is that of—

British; American; French; Australian; German.

8.—When an athlete in fervour of competitive effort tears a ligament and is obliged to retire from the fray, actually he has—

Sprained a muscle; ruptured a blood-vessel; broken the tissue which spans the joint between two bones; strained a tendon.

9.—One peculiarity about the wood lignum vitae—your pronunciation depends on which university you went to—is that it—

Is the lightest in existence; has no grain; will sink in water; is used to make pips for raspberry jam.

10.—Since you seem to know so much about lignum vitae, you will guess at once that lignite is a variety of—

Timber; coal; metal; dress material; explosive.

11.—An almost forgotten man. The high official of the Soviet Republic who approximates to President is—

Stalin; Voroshilov; Molotov; Kollata; Lunacharsky; Litvinov.

12.—No man or woman is regarded as properly dressed in the United Kingdom without a gas mask. The authorities are up against a serious problem in dealing with gas masks, and that is—

To get women to wear them; to make certain that every-

body has one; to keep them from deteriorating; to teach everybody how to wear them.

13.—Your canary throws back its head when drinking to—

Keep watch for enemies; swallow the water; keep the water out of its nasal passages.

14.—England in the palm days used the bridle, a horrible contraption of iron, as a punishment for a particular type of evil-doer, specifically, the—

Vagrant; dishonest trader; drunkard; scolding woman; rioter; witch.

15.—Murgatroyd is going in for the cultivation of plectre carnations. Now, the peculiarity of the plectre carnation is that—

It is grown only from cuttings; the edges of its petals differ in colour from the ground tint; they are most adaptable to the new science of hydroponics; they are harder than other varieties.

16.—Lowest form of life in the animal kingdom—physically, not socially or morally—is the—

Proton; protoplasm; protozoa; protozoan; protein.

17.—Protein. That reminds me that we members of the animal kingdom get the proteins so vital to healthy existence from—

White meat; red meat; vegetable substances; mineral substances; sunlight.

18.—Paramaribo is one of those towns in South America I'd like to visit because I like the sound of it. It is in—

Brasil; Argentina; Paraguay; Uruguay; Bolivia; Dutch Guiana.

19.—The name of the glands which supply saliva to the mouth is—

Pineal; thyroid; parotid; thymus; ductless; pituitary.

20.—Geddes of health in Greek mythology was—

Io; Dis; Hecate; Juno; Demeter; Persephone.

21.—Best thing a person afflicted with hypermetropia can do is to—

Have it cut out immediately; take a long holiday in a dry climate; wear glasses with convex lenses; make a will and prepare for death.

22.—You debaters should know that in logic the process of arguing from what is known to what is unknown is called—

Deduction; induction; elimination; dialectic; intuition.

23.—You've got a rough idea what an incubus is, but actually it means—

A weight between the shoulders; an unwanted load; a demon which causes nightmares; a pain caused by indigestion.

24.—Be careful not to contract rhinitis in this weather. It's unpleasant, but not fatal. In other words it is—

Rheumatism; neuritis; arthritis; hay fever; pneumonia.

25.—The name of Sir George Julius, New Zealand scientist should be known because of his work in perfecting—

Long-distance radio reception; the railway signalling system; the totalisator; the mercury vapour lamp; the Neon sign.

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OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT STARTS

Little Prospect Of Tsui Brothers Losing Singles Or Doubles

(By "Tinker")

THE FIRST MATCHES in the Colony Open tennis championships will be held on Monday on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts. Once more we will see familiar figures in action, and idly speculate whether there is anyone here capable of taking the singles title from Tsui Wai-pui or the doubles title from him and his brother, Tsui Yun-pi.

One thing is certain, and that is through careful seeding in the Singles, there will be no all-Tsui final, for both are in the bottom half of the draw, and if successful in all their earlier matches, will meet in the semi-finals.

Entries are as satisfactory as usual. There are forty-three for the Singles, and twenty-four pairs in the Doubles.

Going through the Singles entries, the outstanding players in the top quarter are S. A. Rumjahn and J. W. Leonard. In the second quarter are H. D. Rumjahn, Paul Kong and W. C. Hung. In the third quarter are Tsui Yun-pi, T. A. Pearce, and Tannie Kwok, and in the last quarter are Pang Ol-lam and the champion, Tsui Wai-pui.

Sirdar Rumjahn is getting on in years, and though still a fine player can go under without loss of prestige to his younger opponents. Irresponsible Joe Leonard is a player to be reckoned with; he is Hongkong's Borotra when it comes to temperamental demonstrations on the court, but they mean nothing to him as he forgets all about them as soon as the game is over.

The more probable finalist for the top half is among H. D. Rumjahn, Paul Kong and W. C. Hung. Tsui Wai-pui is too well-known in the Colony to make further discussion worth while. If he is on form I would vote unhesitatingly for him as finalist, but he, like many others, has his "off" days. I would, however, give him the edge over Paul Kong, steady though the latter may be. W. C. Hung is as nice a player to watch as most others, but past performance have shown him erratic and temperamental. I have known a bad line decision to throw him right off his swing.

TSUI AND TSUI

IN the third quarter, I doubt if anyone but Tsui Yun-pi will reach the semi-finals. He will be given keen opposition from T. A. Pearce or Tannie Kwok, but that is about as far as it will go.

And in the last quarter with the champion, there seems to be only Pang Ol-lam to extend Tsui Wai-pui. In any case the semi-finals should be as interesting as before, even though the players may be the same as in previous years. The younger Tsui has been known to beat his brother at singles, and I can recall the great display there was in the semi-finals a couple of years ago when he and H. D. Rumjahn had to twice postpone their match because the whole of five sets were necessary.

TURNING to the Doubles, and overlooking the Tsui brothers in the top quarter, there are several well-matched pairs. In the second quarter are J. Goncalves and A. V. Remedios, Paul Kong and Szeto Bick, and Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing. The last named combination put up a very good show in the tournament last year, and if they are in practice, I would select them again to be the ones to meet the Tsuis in the semi-finals.

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung are once more together and are in the third quarter. For them to reach the semi-finals they will have to overcome opposition from T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay, and Frankie Kwok and S. W. Liang. Fincher, especially, has been a most unfortunate player in these tournaments. He has several times been in the final. His greatest disappointment was a few years ago when partnering Hung in the doubles final a couple of bad line decisions turned fortune against them. Perhaps this year may realise one of his ambitions.

In the last quarter are the Rumjahn cousins, the famed former doubles champions, and Lee Huan-kek and J. W. Leonard. If Lee is the same player I think he is, from the Hongkong University, then the Rumjahns are to be given a stern struggle when they meet in the second round.

THE programme for the coming week is as follows:

Monday

Open Singles—R. G. Blesol, jr., v. J. H. Turner; R. C. Lau v. Wei Chung.

Open Doubles—F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v. J. S. Theobald and S. M. Garrard; Paul Kong and Bick Szeto v. Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing; T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay v. T. C. Chan and Marland Ma.

Tuesday

Open Singles—Lewing Ping-chiu v. J. Goncalves; Tsui Yun-pi v. T. J.

Blue Shirt Not Entered For National

Jockey Disqualified By New Condition

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Blue Shirt has not been entered for the Grand National because his owner, Mr. J. J. Astor, cannot ride him in the race. The new condition that riders must have won five steeplechases under recognised rules of steeplechasing disqualifies him.

Blue Shirt was a 33 to 1 chance for last year's Grand National a few days before the race. Then came a rush of money for him when it became known that a mysterious bottle had come ashore on the coast of Waterford containing the advice to back Squadron Castle for the Lincolnshire Handicap and Blue Shirt for the Grand National.

Squadron Castle won the Lincolnshire Handicap, and at the start of the Grand National Blue Shirt was second favourite at 10 to 1. He fell at the fence before Becher's the second time round.—Our Own Correspondent.

FIRST HEATS OF VARSITY ATHLETICS

Three heats and a final of the University sports to be held on March 9 were run yesterday.

The results were:
100 yards—T. T. Chin, A. Ostroumoff, Ip Ching-yu, N. Singh, V. Zaitzeff, J. Fenton.
220 yards hurdles—K. M. Au, H. T. Tang, S. Mahmood, Y. S. Lam, S. L. Lee, T. T. Chin.
500 yards—J. M. Derksch, T. S. Lam, T. C. Lo, P. Tam, N. Singh.
1000 metres—Y. W. Young, K. K. Tan, O. V. Cheung, C. M. Matthews, Time 40 mins. 20 secs.
5 miles—J. Fenton, T. T. Chin, C. C. Chen, K. M. Au, Y. S. Lam, P. H. Lum.

C.S.C.C. Cricket Teams Chosen

The following will represent Civil Service Cricket Club in League cricket matches this afternoon:
1st XI (home), v. University.—D. McLeish (Capt.), C. K. Hawkins, A. E. Perry, J. E. Richardson, W. H. Colledge, R. H. Grimley, N. D. M. Whitley, D. Hollidge, F. E. Lawrence, V. J. Millington and K. J. Attwell.
2nd XI (away), v. Police.—H. E. Strang, G. Ansell, G. P. Stone, T. L. Lockhart, R. J. Fenton, R. G. Robertson, J. F. MacGowan, F. D. Cawley, H. F. Harper, A. F. Sheppard and A. M. J. Wright.

Wednesday

Open Singles—Pang Ol-lam v. Lee Hua-kek; S. A. Hussain v. Chan Kwong-lu; T. A. Pearce v. Wong Hok-nang; Marland Ma v. E. Zulaut; Kwok Hing-chung v. O. Rumjahn; Bew Louie v. O. Umetani.
Open Doubles—E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. A. Chan and J. Hsu.

Thursday

Open Singles—Tennie Kwok v. I. M. A. Razack; I. Agafuroff v. Tsui Wai-pui; H. D. Rumjahn v. Firdos Khan; S. A. Rumjahn v. B. C. Fay.
Open Doubles—J. Goncalves and A. V. Remedios v. Ng Kam-chuen and Tsui Ping-fan.

Friday

Open Singles—Lam Kwan v. J. W. Leonard; A. Crawford v. Ip Koon-hung; P. S. Leong v. S. A. Gray; Paul Kong v. J. S. Theobald v. Y. C. Lau or Wei Chung v. M. Pagi; W. C. Hung v. T. C. Chan.
Open Doubles—Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pi v. S. A. Hussain and O. Rumjahn.

Film Stars Interested In Middleweight Bout

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 1 (UP).—Henry Armstrong, for the first time since becoming a boxing champion, is at the short end of the betting. Odds are 6-5 on Garcia to retain his middleweight title. The middleweight champion is expected to weigh 153 lbs., and Armstrong 141.

Garcia is booming along on the longest winning streak of his 13-year career. Armstrong won his last bout but only by a slim margin, and it is expected that the anticipated 35,000 spectators will see a close hard match.

Of the film celebrities, only Mae West has declined to take side. "Both are great fighters," she said. "May the better man win. I'm always for the better man."

Lupe Velez said "Wait until Henry rushes in carrying messages for Garcia."

Tyrone Power, Tom Brown, Mayne Morris, Darryl Zanuck, Don Ameche are in favour of the negro, while Marlene Dietrich, Alice Faye, Gene Autry, Cary Grant and Deanna Durbin are backing Garcia.

LOUIS' NINTH SUCCESSFUL FIGHT IN DEFENCE OF WORLD TITLE

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Joe Louis retained the world heavyweight title at New York on Feb. 9 after the hardest fight of his career. He was awarded a points decision over Arturo Godoy, the Chilean, but the verdict was greeted with a roar of booing. Most critics had declared that Godoy would be knocked out early in the fight.

The verdict for the champion, however, was held by newspaper experts to be correct. Arthur Donovan, the referee, who had handled the Louis-Farr match, gave Louis ten rounds and Godoy five. Mr. Lecron, one of the judges, marked ten for Louis, four for Godoy, and one even, while the other judge, Mr. Shortell, gave Godoy ten to five.

The attendance was 15,057, bringing gate receipts of £17,700. Godoy fought very much in the style of Farr, and so greatly puzzled the title-holder. He attacked repeatedly, but his blows lacked sting. Louis was as clever as usual, but he failed to land his sleeping draught on the fast-moving Chilean.

LOUIS' RECORD

ONLY two men have stood up to Louis for 15 rounds since he won the title in June, 1937. They were Tommy Farr and Godoy. Tommy Farr, who has accepted to meet Joe Louis in America this summer, says that the result against Godoy has no effect on his proposed match.

June, 1937—K.O. Jim Braddock (healer) 8 rds., at Chicago.

August, 1937—Outpointed Tommy Farr, 15 rds., New York.

February, 1938—K.O. Nathan Mann, 8 rds., New York.

April 1938—K.O. Harry Thomas, 5 rds., Chicago.

June, 1938—K.O. Max Schmeling, 1 rd., New York.

January, 1939—K.O. John Hy. Lewis, 1 rd., New York.

April, 1939—K.O. Jack Roper, 1 rd., Los Angeles.

June, 1939—T.K.O. Tony Galento, 4 rds., New York.

September, 1939—K.O. Bob Pastor, 11 rds., Detroit.

February, 1940—Outpointed Arturo Godoy, 15 rds., New York.—Our Own Correspondent.

Badminton League.

St. John's Beat Recreio "B" In Mixed Doubles

ST. JOHN'S beat Recreio "B" by 5 sets to 2 in a Badminton Mixed Doubles League match yesterday. The scores were:

H. S. Goncalves and Miss L. Xavier beat D. Kwok and Mrs. Wilson 21-10; lost to H. Eardley and Miss Eardley 9-21; beat L. Smith and Mrs. Wilson 21-9.
N. Deltrao and Miss S. Remedios beat Kwok and Mrs. Wilson 23-20; lost to Eardley and Miss Eardley 5-21; lost to Smith and Mrs. Strange 10-21.
C. C. Pereira and Mrs. A. M. Rodrigues lost to Kwok and Mrs. Wilson 17-21; lost to Eardley and Miss Eardley 2-21; beat Smith and Mrs. Strange 21-15.

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12. To keep them from deteriorating.
13. Swallow the water.
14. Scolding woman.
15. The edges of its petals differ in colour from the ground tint.
16. Protozoa.
17. Vegetable substances.
18. Dutch Gullana.
19. Parotid.
20. Hygela.
21. Wear glasses with convex lenses.
22. Induction.
23. A demon which causes nightmares.
24. Hay fever.
25. The totalisator.

PUZZLES

AT THE SWEET SHOP:

Yes—Tom must have had five-pence halfpenny.

WORD SQUARE:

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AT THE JEWELLERS:

- 1.—Rubs—Ruby.
- 2.—Garnet—Garnet.
- 3.—Sapphire—Sapphire.
- 4.—Abato—Agate.
- 5.—Copal—Opal.



Joe Louis and Arturo Godoy signing up for their heavyweight bout which was held at Madison Square Garden on Feb. 9. The film of the fight has already been shown in the Colony.

Rugby Football

CLUB MEETS BANK THIS AFTERNOON

(By "Fly-half")

CLUB play the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank this afternoon on the Club ground at 4.15 p.m. This game will be preceded by an Army XV v. Navy XV game at 3 p.m.

The Bank has a strong pack which includes Kennedy, Dunnett, Bompas and Gardiner. The only department in which they would appear to be at a disadvantage in the lineouts, where the forwards might find their lack of exceptional height against them.

Salter's absence from the Club pack gives Dunnett a good chance of obtaining more than an equal share of the ball in the tight scrums. Ken Watson, it is rumoured, will be unable to turn out for the Bank, being on duty. Bank will miss his kicking and general play.

Butcher, Thompson, Day and Cairn-ruthers are Bank's backs capable of causing Club some worry.

This annual match should result in a victory for the Club. The Club and Army teams are: Club—J. R. Henderson, D. J. Bonquet, H. D. Bidwell, B. C. Fay, P. B. Wilson; J. C. Charter, J. M. Thomson, E. W. Stout, J. F. Burford, A. F. Walcott (Captain); A. J. G. Taylor, I. M. Macrae; J. Redman, W. Stoker, W. D. Richardson. Army—Cnr. Eastbrook; L/Sgt. Maru, L/Sgt. Giblin, Sdr. Jones, L/Sgt. Richards, Lt. Combe (Capt.), L/Cpl. Foley (Lt.), Sdr. Evered, Cpl. Butterland, Cnr. Clark, Lt. Millar, Lt. Ford, Pte. Mohan, Sgt. Blackman, Cpl. Shidrake, Reserves—Pte. Gracie, L/Cpl. Combe.

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TORONTO, FEB. 22. (Reuter).—Another offer to Joe Burk of Philadelphia to turn professional and meet Bobby Pearce of Hamilton, Ontario for the world's professional sculling championship, has just been made. Declared Mr. Edward A. Hughes, general manager of the Canadian National Exhibition.

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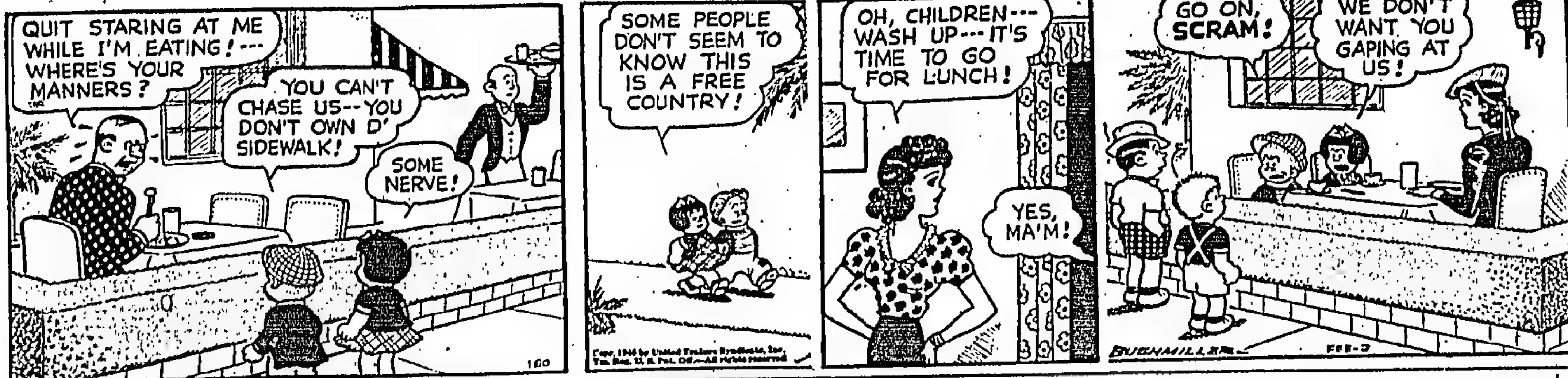
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NANCY



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More Spies Unearthed

Dutch Police Seize Transmitter Set

ROTTERDAM, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The Police have seized a secret wireless transmitter which had operated from an attic at Schiedamschen. This transmitter is alleged to have been used for a code transmission of weather reports to Germany for the information of German airmen.

A German and a Dutch subject have been arrested.

The former, a man named Drees, is described as the Chief Editor of the West German Press section of Euse.

The director of this concern was escorted across the frontier a few weeks ago.

These people are believed to have been connected with the big spy ring whose existence was discovered last week.

Oil Supplies From Burma

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons, Mr. R. De La Hare will ask the Minister of Economic Warfare on March 5 a question in connection with the supply of oil by the Burma Oil Corporation.

Mr. De La Hare will ask Mr. Ronald Cross whether he can state what supplies of oil from this Corporation, after meeting the priorities required by India and Burma, are available for shipment to the Chinese theatre of war.

Mr. De La Hare will also ask whether the additional supplies that are being purchased from American sources are beneficial in any way to our foreign exchange position of dollar and sterling.

Controlling The Money-Changers

To-day's Government Gazette contains an amendment to the Miscellaneous Licences Ordinance for shadowing introduction of premium which money-changers in the Colony may charge for their services.

A new regulation has been added, to be known as Regulation 4A, which reads as follows:

The Financial Secretary may from time to time, by notification in the Gazette prescribe the premium at which a money-changer may exchange Hongkong currency of any denomination for Hongkong currency of any other denomination, and no money-changer shall, in relation to any such exchange, charge a greater premium, or make any greater or other charge for his services, than the premium for the time being so prescribed.

UNEASINESS IN THE LOWLANDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BRUSSELS, Mar. 1 (UP).—Slight uneasiness is again being felt in Belgium based on the German military preparations as observed from the border.

This uneasiness is heightened by reports that the German thrusts in the direction of Scandinavia and the Near East appear to be somewhat lessened.

H.K. Cameramen Gain Distinction

The Camera Pictorialists of Los Angeles held their 23rd. Annual International Salon at Los Angeles last month.

Under the judgment of Mr. James N. Doolittle, five photographs, sent in by four Hongkong residents, Mr. Yeung Wing-yau (2) Mr. Lo Tak-cho, Mr. Cheng Tak-fan, and Mr. Kwok Ying-chiu, have been selected among 343 photographs chosen for exhibition from 1935 submitted by 431 entrants representing fourteen countries.

Magazine Article Causes Trouble

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

TOKYO, March 1 (Domei).—Mr. Yonakuma, who has been attached to the Cultural Affairs Department of the Foreign Office, has resigned from the Foreign Office in connection with an article which he has contributed to a magazine.

Disapproving the Konoze Statement, the article has raised an issue in the Diet.

Giving Lie To Reports

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—A message received at the Admiralty and sent at the request of the master of the German steamer, Wakama, which was scuttled 13 hours after leaving Rio de Janeiro on February 13, for transmission to Germany, it is possible, reads:

"To the West Line, Hamburg. Rumours about the crew of the Wakama being shot at in life-boats are untrue. The 33 officers and men are all well and are interned on board a British cruiser. Please inform relatives where possible. (Signed) Eschacht."

Cannot Insult The Germans

NEW YORK, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The "New York Times," commenting on Dr. Goebbels' speech at Munster on Wednesday warning neutrals that Germany cannot allow the obvious difference between neutrality of the State and neutrality of its public opinion, says:

"The truth is that we cannot insult them. None can insult a Government which is somewhere between 800 and 25,000 years behind the time in every attribute of civilization and human decency. It is a waste of energy to try it."

"The inference as to German war aims was clear. There is not going to be any free speech in Europe or elsewhere if the Nazis can help it. We are a long way off and quite safe. Our Government has not urged us as it did in 1914 to be neutral in thought."

Jews Protest In Palestine

JERUSALEM, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Palestine Jews demonstrated on Thursday against the new regulations governing the transfer of land in Palestine.

In Jerusalem, Zionist leaders led the demonstrators in a parade through the streets during which the crowds shouted extracts from Balfour's declaration which, they say, promised them Palestine as their national home.

The Tel-Aviv members of the Municipal Council took part in a parade from the synagogue to the Maccabean Stadium.

In Haifa, the Jewish community stayed indoors. At Jaffa, however, the Arabs demonstrated to express their pleasure at the new regulations.

New Exchange Control By The French

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The Treasury states that to permit the greatest possible freedom for payments arising out of French and British commercial transactions, new regulations have been introduced by the French exchange control.

These regulations will, so far as imports from the United Kingdom and British Colonies (except Hongkong), the British Protectorates and the mandated territories of Egypt, Iraq and Anglo-Egyptian Sudan are concerned, place the French system of exchange control on a similar basis to that in force in the United Kingdom.

IF VLADIVOSTOK IS BLOCKADED

TOKYO, Mar. 1 (Domei).—The "Nichiichi Shimbun" alleges that should the British blockade of German trade be extended to Vladivostok, Japan will lodge a vigorous protest with Britain in accordance with the Japanese policy of non-involvement in the European conflict.

The "Asahi Shimbun" urges the Government to take effective precautions against the threatened situation so as to secure "full respect for Japan's neutrality in consideration of the recent Asama Maru incident."

QUEEN'S VISIT TO DUNDEE

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Her Majesty the Queen yesterday paid a surprise visit to Dundee, stopping for half-an-hour at Lord Roberts' memorial workshops where she made some purchases.

Later she visited a first aid post manned by women A.R.P. volunteers.

In London, the Duchess of Kent paid a private visit to the headquarters of the Polish Relief Fund.

LETTERS

Water Supply
To the Editor, The Hongkong Telegraph

Sir,—With reference to a paragraph which appeared in the Press to-day advising the boiling of all water used for drinking purposes, the following information concerning the water supplies is submitted with the request that you will kindly convey it to the Public through the medium of your publication.

Whilst a certain amount of contamination occurs in the catchment areas and the first rains after the long dry winter season affects the purity of the water in the storage reservoirs, it is not in this state that the water is supplied by the Water Authority to the Public.

Water from the storage reservoirs is at all periods of the year passed through the filters and then chlorinated, the treatment of the water in these processes being regulated, according to the state of the raw water, to such a degree as is required to ensure that when delivered to the Public it conforms to the high standard of purity laid down viz.—B.C.C. minus 15 c.c.

Provided the inside services, consisting of the pipes, fittings and tanks in the tenements are kept clean and for which the Water Authority is not responsible, there should be no danger whatever from the drinking of water straight from the taps.

I would add that so far as I am aware, certainly not within the last decade, no epidemic in this Colony has ever been traced to the filtered water supply.

W. WOODWARD
for Water Authority.

Arabs Are With Allies

JERUSALEM, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Brigadier Allen has been appointed military commander in the area in which the Australian force is encamped.

Arab Chiefs and notables at the open air conference called by Brigadier Allen to-day declared that all Arab peoples were on the side of the democracies in the present war.

All ranks in the Australian forces express the hope that they will have the opportunity to fight alongside the Turks if they are called into action.

Defence Reserve Notifications

Mr. John Erskine McDonald, Mr. William Leonard Spencer, Mr. Kenneth John Attwell and Mr. Wilfred Harold Ernest French have been permitted to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve, according to this morning's "Government Gazette."

Dr. G. A. V. Griffiths has been enrolled in the Key Posts Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve, while Mr. James Gray Marshall has been re-assigned from the Combatant Group to the General Group for Essential Services.

Big Cruise Liner Arrives

A 25,000-ton British liner which was launched just before the war for the Royal Mail Line, "Caledonia," a beautiful pleasure ship, arrived in Hongkong this morning.

This is, as far as can be ascertained, the first time a Royal Mail liner has entered Hongkong harbour.

The ship was built for cruise purposes and but for the outbreak of war would now be employed on a cruise to Bermuda and South America.

She is the largest ship in the Royal Mail line's somewhat imposing fleet.

Australia's Great War Effort

SYDNEY, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Australian factories, in addition to war work, are also turning out harvesting machines for Britain, according to an announcement made over the Australian radio.

A factory in Victoria has already shipped several hundred harvesting machines to Britain. The whole order will arrive in Britain in time for the harvest.

Argentine Ready For Action

ROME, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—According to a Montevideo message, four Argentine cruisers are anchored in the vicinity of the Punta de Leste at the mouth of the River Plate to avoid a possible naval battle and to prevent violation of the neutrality zone.

Financing The B.B.C.

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The changes in the financing of the B.B.C. to meet wartime conditions are explained in a White Paper issued to-day. The document contains supplemental broadcasting agreement between the Postmaster General and the Minister of Information.

Under the original agreement, the B.B.C. was entitled to receive from the Postmaster General 75 per cent. of any licence revenue and any additional percentage approved by the Treasury to meet the needs of its services.

Under the supplemental agreement, the Minister of Information is designated as an authority to whom the B.B.C. should apply for finance and the Minister has to approve what is regarded as sufficient for the adequate conduct of the B.B.C.'s activities.

Anti-British Agitation

Recrudescence In Honan Province

PEIPING, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—According to Japanese Press reports from Kaifeng, former capital of Honan, the arrival of four British nationals, whose names are unknown, at the China Inland Mission Hospital there has caused a recrudescence of the anti-British movement.

The movement had subsided after the total evacuation of British residents from the province.

A threatened attack on the Hospital is alleged to have been nipped in the bud by the authorities, but the Anti-British Committee has advised the Britons in question to leave the province as soon as possible.

The British Embassy has no confirmation of these happenings.

The movement is operating with the most hostility in North China. It is dormant in Peiping, very active in Tsinan and is apparently flaring up in Kaifeng.

A party of Britons who recently made a train trip to Jehol reported that they were well-treated throughout the journey, the Japanese army officers encountered en route behaving with friendliness and courtesy.

In Peihow, which forms the western-most Japanese base in this area, posters are instructing the populace to treat foreigners with courtesy though few, if any, foreigners, are living there.

CANNED FOOD PRICES

In to-day's issue of the "Government Gazette," Mr. W. J. Carrie, Controller of Food, has made a further order on the standard prices of butter, sweetened condensed milk, evaporated milk, sweetened condensed skimmed milk, sterilised natural milk, powdered milk, thick cream, tinned corned beef, tinned pork and beans, tinned sardines, tinned salmon, margarine and vegetable lard, rolled oats and oatmeal, sugar, Talkoo golden syrup, Talkoo black treacle, Talkoo table candy, coffee, and tea.

STOCK EXCHANGE RESTRICTED

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, week-end influences restricted activity, but an undertone remained.

Kaffirs occasionally reacted on profit-taking, but buying and electrical equipments were strong.

Glit-edged securities eased early but rallied later.

Wall Street was firm.

LOANS MADE TO SCANDINAVIA

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—In conformity with the recent legislation, the Export and Import Bank has allocated a \$20,000,000 loan to Finland, \$15,000,000 to Sweden and \$10,000,000 to Norway.

Denmark is also expected to get a loan shortly, probably of \$10,000,000.

Mr. David Lohr, A.M.T.C., A.A.C.I., A.I.M.M., has been appointed to be an analyst for the purpose of the Adulterated Food and Drug Ordinance No. 8 of 1935 and the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance No. 8 of 1937.

Mr. J. W. FitzGerald, Acting Chief Officer, has been appointed to be Acting Assistant Superintendent of Hongkong Prison.

Maiden Speech In Commons

Second Reading Of Cotton Bill

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Sir Andrew Duncan, President of the Board of Trade, made his maiden speech in the House of Commons to-day.

Moving the second reading of the Cotton Industry Bill, he said: "The last war dealt to the exporters of cotton a hard and cruel blow. Leaders of the cotton industry, who support the Bill, are not prepared to run the same risks as on the last occasion."

"They desire that there should be in the export trade a concerted effort to bring to their aid all knowledge of markets which only a proper examination and analysis can bring."

Market Intelligence

"The Cotton Board to be established by the Bill will establish immediately such a market intelligence. Experienced investigators will investigate on the spot the foreign markets. The Board will also send a special mission to follow up preliminary investigations.

"There are plans already made to send investigators to markets urgently needing our business."

The Bill passed its second reading without a division.

Combating Tuberculosis

A meeting was held at Medical Headquarters on Thursday to discuss the desirability of forming an Anti-Tuberculosis Association. The following were present:—The Rev. J. B. Higgs, Mr. W. J. Keates, Mr. F. Key, Mr. W. Vinton Lee, Dr. Li Shu-pu, Mr. Li Tze-fong, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, (Director of Medical Services), Dr. F. I. Tseng, Mr. F. H. Tyson, Dr. T. P. Wu and Mr. B. Wylie.

It was resolved that an organisation should be formed to be called the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

The aims and objects of the Association include (a) to study the causes of the high incidence of and mortality from tuberculosis in Hongkong; (b) to investigate ways and means of attacking these causes at their root; (c) to educate the community in the cause and prevention of tuberculosis; (d) to raise funds to further these objects and to augment existing official and private means for the discovery and cure of tuberculous persons and, generally, for the prevention of the disease.

It was resolved to ask His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote if he would graciously act as Patron of the Association.

It was also resolved that the fee for ordinary membership should be \$2 per annum and \$100 for life membership of the Association.

It is hoped that members of the community who desire to associate themselves with the work of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association will write to the Joint Honorary Secretaries (The Rev. J. B. Higgs, Dr. A. N. Macleod and Dr. T. P. Wu) at Medical Headquarters, G. P. O. Building, Hongkong.

Welsh Troops Celebrate

PARIS, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Welsh troops in France yesterday celebrated St. David's Day.

Every Welsh soldier wore a leek in his cap.

When the Welsh Fusiliers left for France they left behind their goat mascot but they have now managed to beg, borrow or buy another goat.

This animal took part in the celebrations yesterday while it was held in the customary style.

Japanese Woman Attacked

A Japanese woman, Mrs. Mitsuko Ohta, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital this morning suffering from a stab wound in the neck, believed to have been inflicted by another Japanese in the early hours of the morning.

She is stated to be in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Ohta reside at Nagasaki Joke's, 62-63, Gloucester Road, Wanchai.

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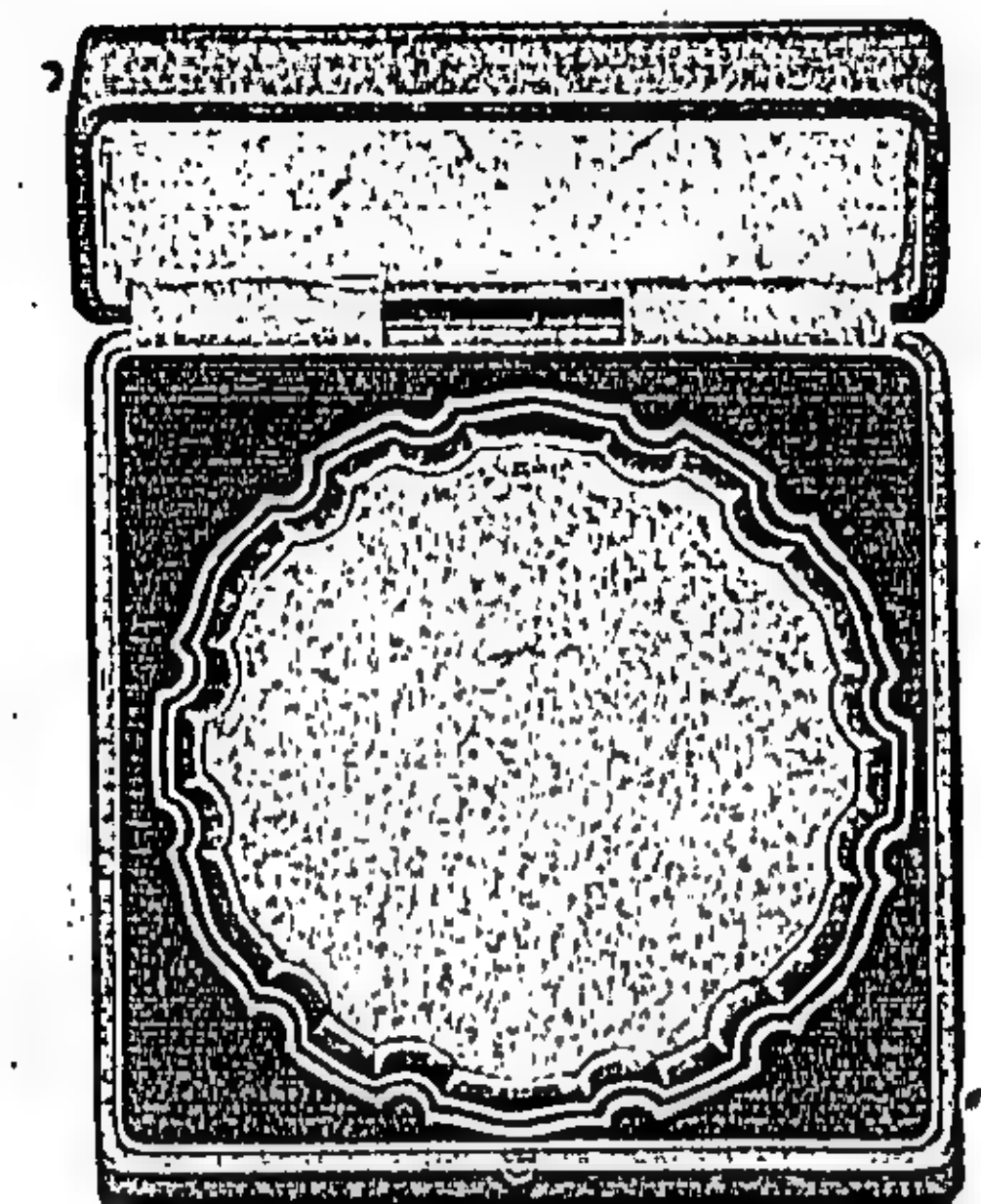
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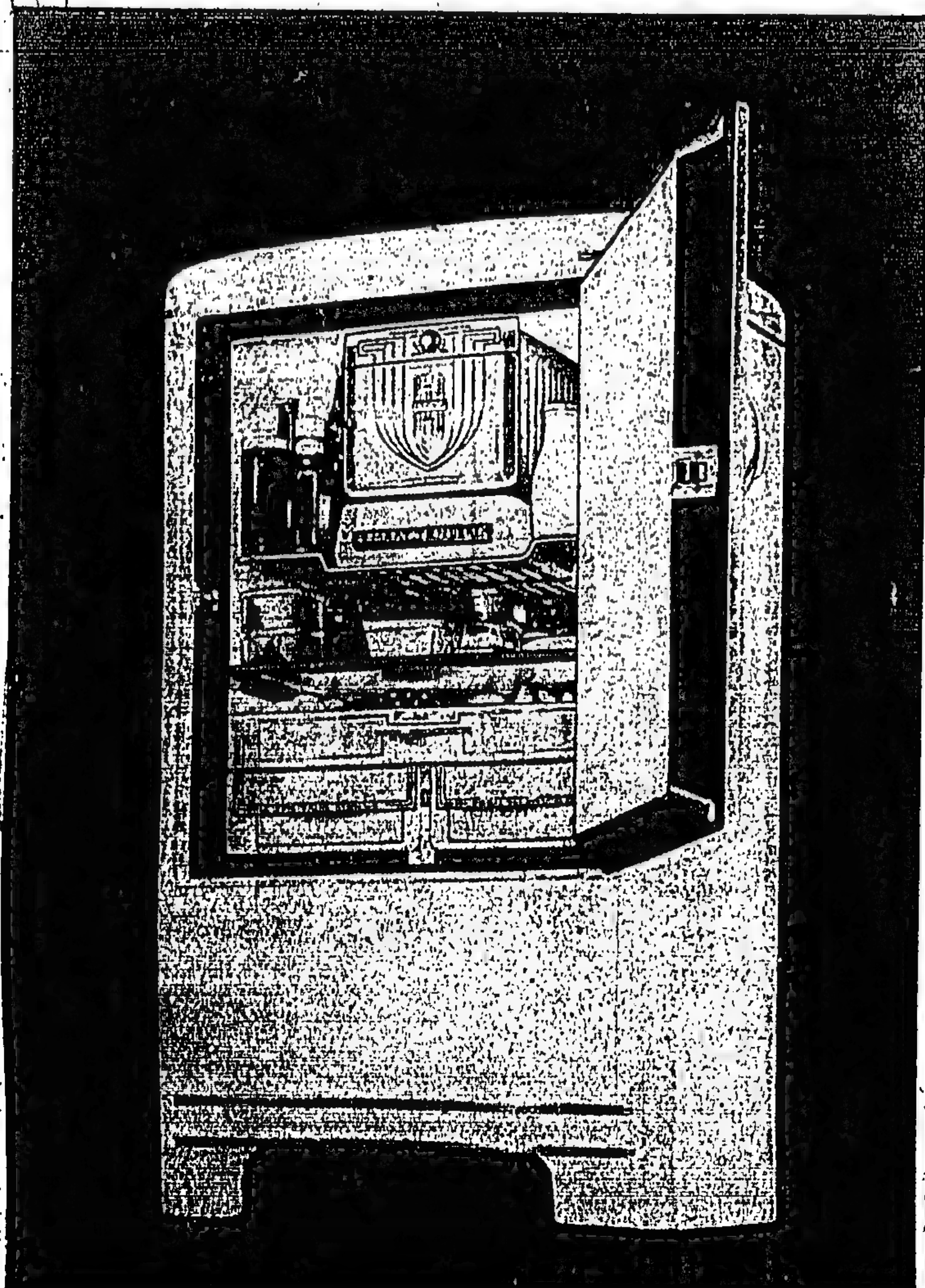
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Italy Knew Nothing of Pact with Russia Until It was Signed

CIANO DISCLOSES HISTORY OF NAZI PERFDY TO ALLY

HITLER WENT HIS OWN WAY

COUNT CIANO, in a two-hour speech to the Italian Chamber of Deputies recently, revealed that Italy knew nothing about the German-Soviet Pact until a few hours before it was signed.

Ribbentrop, he said, telephoned him the news at 10 p.m. on August 21. Until then the Rome-Berlin Axis had been an agreement between Italy and Germany to keep Bolshevism out of Europe.

This was the highlight of Ciano's long speech.

It was heard by 500 black-shirted deputies and a full gallery of foreign envoys. Mussolini sat among his Cabinet Ministers below the tribune.

France did not send a representative to the session, and British Ambassador Sir Percy Lorraine also stayed away.

When he mentioned Spain, Japan and Hungary and their friendly relations with Italy, Ciano glanced up at the Ambassadors' gallery with a smile. The Ambassadors of the three countries jumped up in turn and gave him the Fascist salute.

Points

The speech, apart from revealing some of the inner history of Italian relations after the outbreak of war, gave away nothing new. Some of the main points were:—

Early in the summer Mussolini had warned the British Ambassador in Rome that the British guarantee of Poland would lead to war.

Germany was the only country in Europe which knew before the outbreak of war that Italy was not going to march—a decision made after consultation with the German Government.

Italy did not want a Balkan bloc, but was ready to help all Balkan countries in their efforts to solve their problems and maintain peace.

The speech is not regarded in Rome as unfriendly to England.

It was followed by the revelation of another piece of secret history.

This appears in Signor Gayda's semi-official column in the Giornale d'Italia.

"At the Salzburg meeting last August between Count Ciano and

Herr von Ribbentrop," he writes, "there was revealed, for the first time, some differences of judgment, loyally expressed, on methods and eventualities for the solution of the Polish problem."

"Italy believed in the possibility of a European war and gave frank and clear warning of it. Germany went ahead along her own way, which carried her, not without surprise for Italy, to an accord with Russia."

PARADED BEFORE CHIEF CONSTABLE

PRESTON.

WHEN Preston's war-time women police were called up official uniforms were unobtainable, so Mr. H. Garth, the chief constable, let them design their own.

Result: They are now wearing only just-below-the-knee skirts. They have paraded before Mr. Garth and been approved by him.

He says the new short skirt is "sensible and practical for police work."

When Mr. Garth told his women police they might design their own uniform, Miss Dorothy Heaton, the 25-years-old Preston woman solicitor, who commands the corps, got the 15 members of it together for a fashion talk.

"Short Skirts in Fashion"

They chose short skirts, a blue tunic, and neb cap. The official uniform is a blue gabardine coat with a belt at the back.

Miss Heaton said to-day: "The average length of the skirts is about two inches below the knee. Short skirts are in fashion."

"We had a dress parade to make sure our choice was officially approved. Some of our members prefer to wear the skirts a little longer than was first suggested, but the difference is scarcely noticeable."

The fifteen women include a doctor's wife and the wives of army officers and cotton trade directors.

Miss Sybil Smith, of Ashton-on-Ribble, who drives detectives in police cars, said: "We think the uniforms are grand."

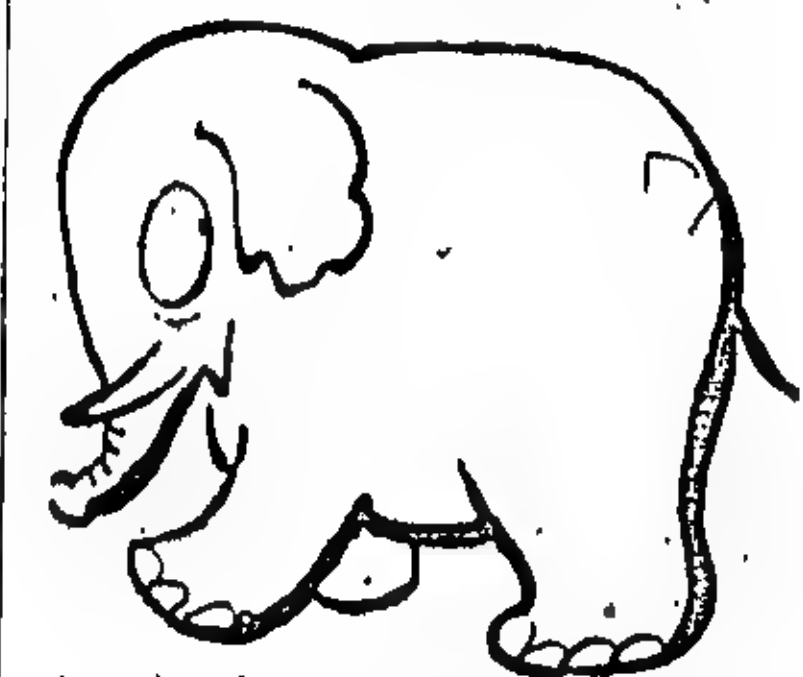
"PLEASE don't go TOO fast to fire," is the polite hint that has been dropped to certain sections of the A.F.S. attached to the London Fire Brigade.

Why?—Because in many cases the auxiliary men have been on the scene before the regular brigade, who are finding that the honours are going to the amateurs.

This is explained by the fact that there are now six A.F.S. sub-stations to every regular station, and the enthusiasm of the auxiliaries, it seems, is likely to result for the L.F.B. in a "loss of dignity."

GIFT

(For millionaire's Birthday)



A BABY elephant, costing £500, headed the list of birthday presents received by Sir John Ellerman, the richest young man in Britain.

The elephant, now on its way to England from India, is a gift from Mr. Raphael de Sola. Sir John's financier brother-in-law.

Sir John, almost as shy as he is rich, celebrated his birthday by giving a luncheon party at the Savoy Hotel to a score of his friends.

So as to keep the party secret, the table for the gathering was booked in the name of one of Sir John's clerks.

It was followed by a dinner party and dance at Sir John's beautiful house in "millionaires' row," Kensington Palace-gardens.

For Charity

Sir John's office staff, who wanted to make him presents, were asked to make a combined collection and give it to war charities. Clerks and officials gave donations to the Seamen's Institute and the Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund.

The birthday present of the house staff was a collection of rare birds. Sir John owns a number of animals in the London Zoo, and has a very fine aviary at his country house, Alth Lodge, Sunningdale.

He has not yet decided what to do with the baby elephant. He may keep it in London for a time.



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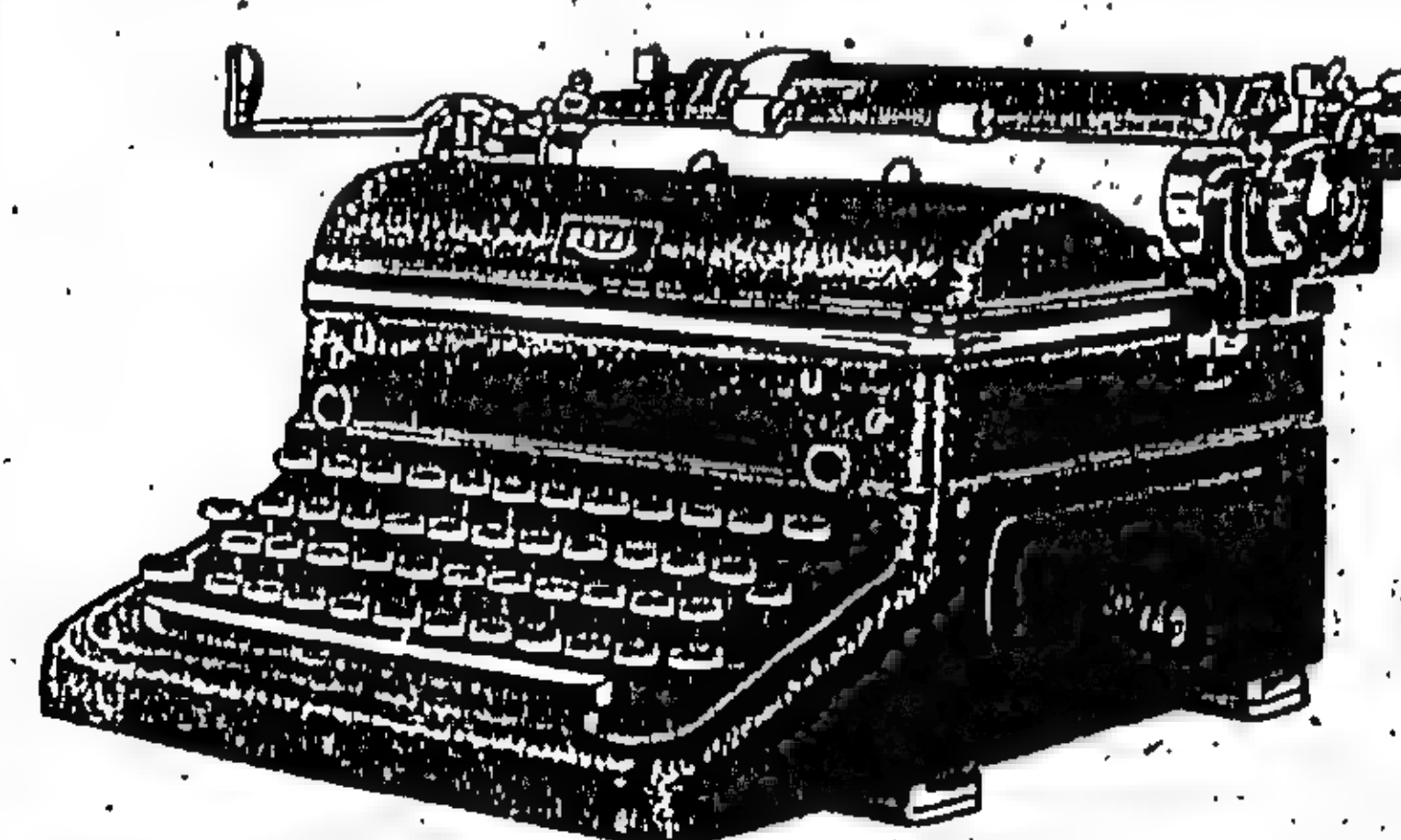
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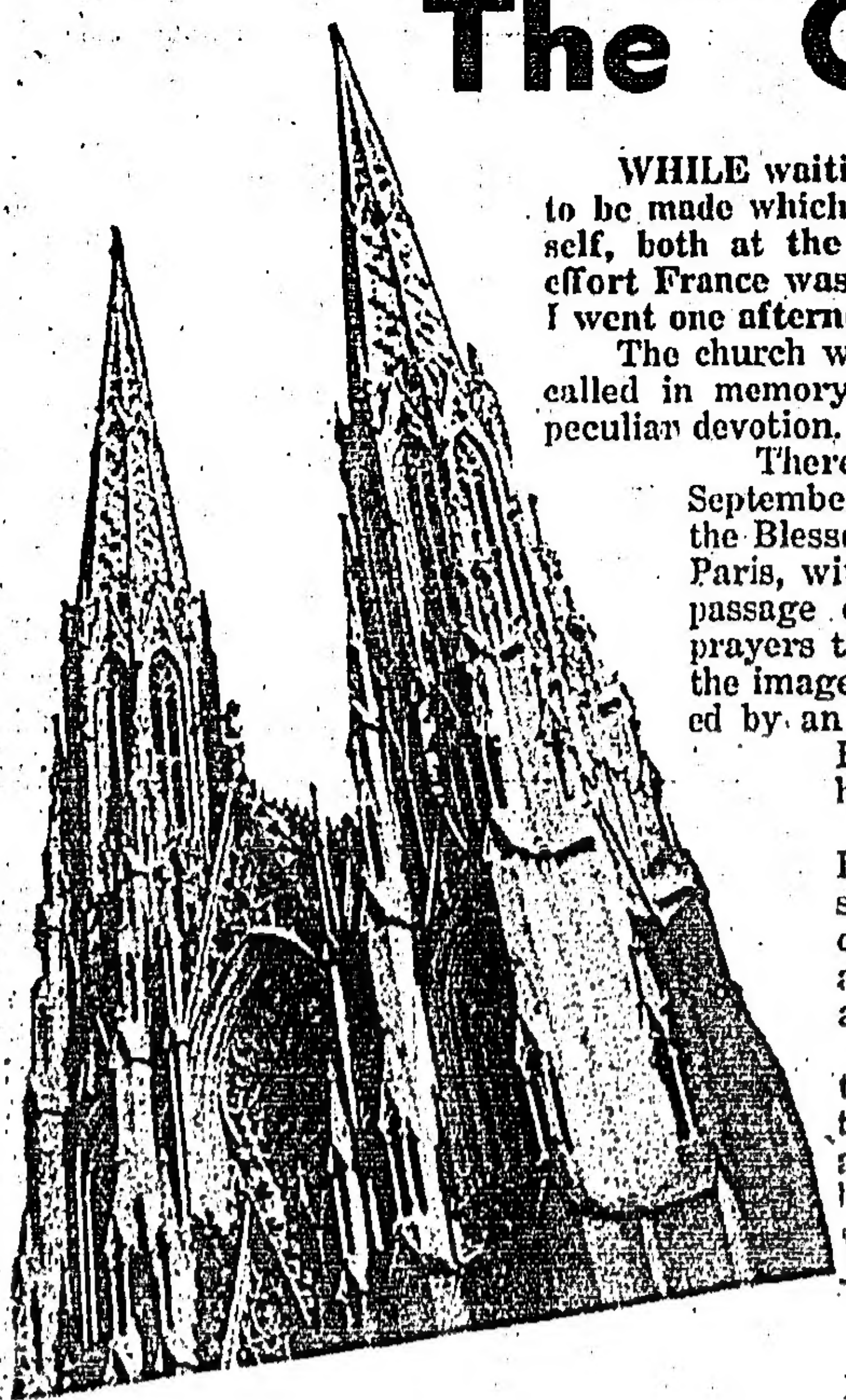
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The CHURCH AND WAR



WHILE waiting in Paris for the arrangements to be made which would enable me to see for myself, both at the front and elsewhere, the great effort France was making in this moment of trial, I went one afternoon to Notre Dame de Victoires.

The church was founded by Louis XIII and so called in memory of his victories. It is held in peculiar devotion.

There are many who believe that on September 8, 1914, German soldiers saw the Blessed Virgin, who is the protector of Paris, with arms outstretched barring the passage of the enemy in answer to the prayers that were addressed to her before the image in this church which was crowned by an earlier pope in gratitude to the French soldiers who had defended him.

Now the faithful pray to our Lady of Victories so that she may safeguard them from the scourge of war and that all men may live as brothers. It was a cold grey afternoon when I went there.

There was no service, but in the chapel of Our Lady of Victories was a great crowd. Rich and poor together, they sat and knelt in silence, men of all ages, women young and old, and prayed, and some of them wept.

THERE were high officers with the Legion of Honour on their tunics and private soldiers in their drab uniform.

I saw a young strapping boy come in, he might have been just twenty and soon would go to the war, and standing at the back, ashamed perhaps to join the throng, with a set, serious face, his lips just moving, utter his silent supplication.

Now and again someone stepped forward with a tall candle and gave it to the attendant who lit it and placed it in one of the great stands on each side of the altar. The altar blazed with candles so that you could only just discern the shadowed statue of the Blessed Virgin, with the imperial crown on her head and the crowned child in her arms.

Though all the candles, on the altar and on each side of it, were subject, I should have thought, to the same draught, it was strange that it had not the same effect on all.

Some burnt with a clean motionless flame and they were like the souls of men steadfast in their faith who faced the

dark future with serenity, and some flickered with a wavering, restless light, and they were like the anguished, faltering souls of men who did not know, who feared and doubted, and yet with desperate longing sought that peace which passeth all understanding.

When I left the church night had fallen on the darkened streets of Paris.

by
SOMERSET MAUGHAM

"There is no doubt," a Bishop later told me, "that the war has occasioned in France a real revival of religious feeling."

THEN I went to see a parish priest, the cure of a village in the depths of the country, a red-faced man with waving thick hair and blunt features, who had been all through the last war as a private soldier and had been severely gassed. He still suffered from the effects.

He was a friendly, hearty soul, a peasant still as his fathers had been before him for generations and there clung to him a pleasant savour of the soil from which they had through the years wrung their bread.

"It does me good to see how they're coming back," he said, his eyes shining with kindness. I asked him too, whether it was from the fear of death.

"No," he answered, "they have gone to war from a sense of duty and their duty to their country has made them recollect their duty to God."

He told me that he had had a letter from a friend of his at the front, a priest, who told him how men took him aside and started a casual conversation, then made their confession to him; and how others came up to him as he was about to say his Mass and asked him to pray for their wives and children and for their mothers.

"And what," I asked, "do you priests think of being asked to fight?"

HE laughed. "There would not be enough stones on the road to stone us with, there wouldn't be enough slanders for our enemies to fling at us, if, when every man in the country is answering the call of duty and honour, we stood aside. But we are glad to go."

"It is a war of defence and so as holy as a crusade. Our lives cut us off in many ways from the lives of other men, but the war has brought us nearer to them. We wear the same uniform, we live with them in barracks and suffer with them in the trenches; we share their bread, their dangers, their sacrifices, and often we are united with them in death. The kindness they show us fills our hearts with humility."

Crossword Puzzle.

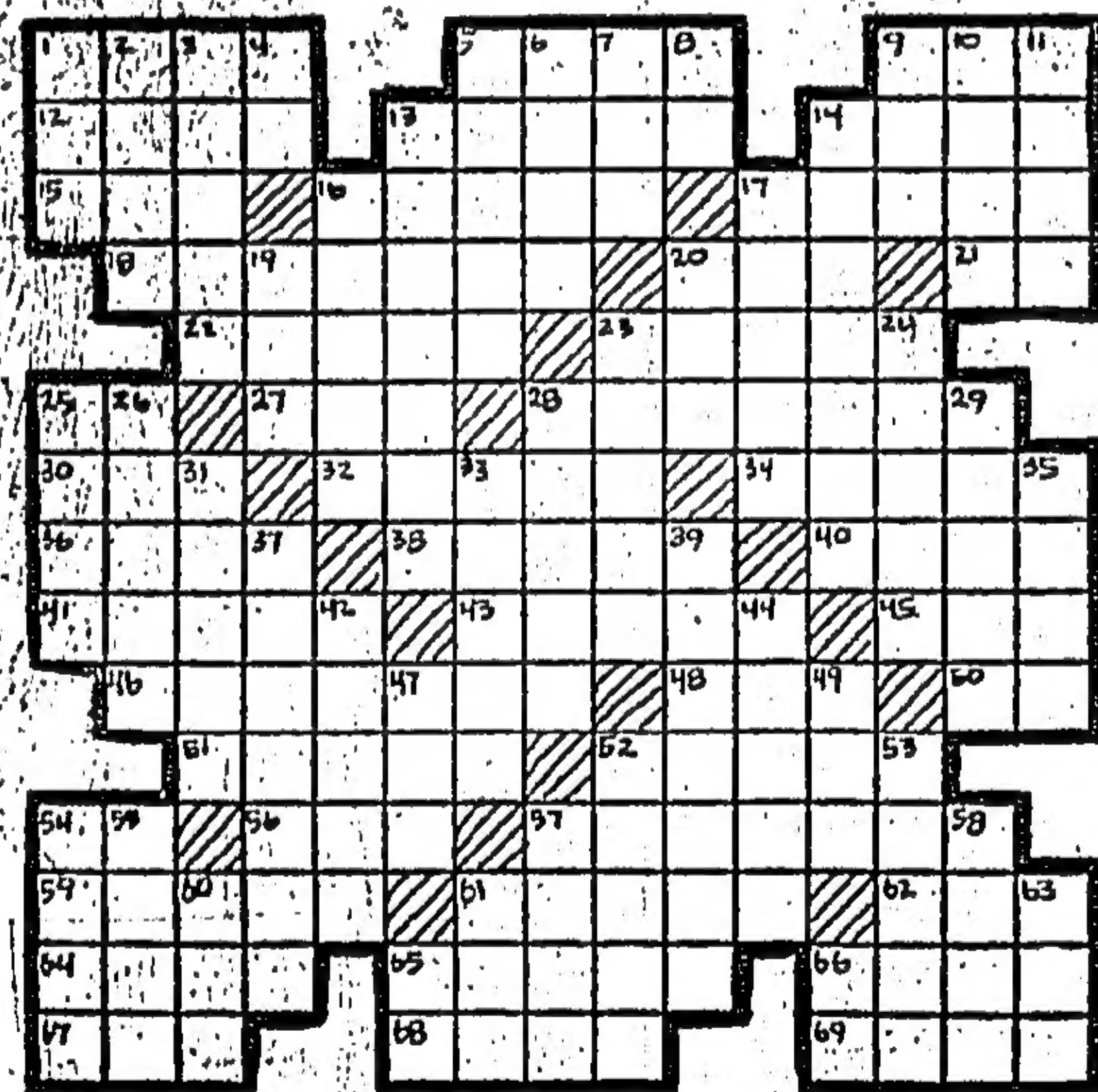
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1-Jazz
2-Letter of feet
3-Wire measure
4-Arabian part
5-Venues
6-Name
7-Italian river
8-Species
9-Promises
10-King's son
11-Over (people)
12-Gap
13-Deeds
14-Dead
15-King of Sardinia
16-Thine (jewel)
17-Take note
18-Pool-like part
19-Dance bird
20-Alluring woman
21-Alack
22-Mother-of-pearl
23-Quintessence
24-Those who sail
25-Square
26-One who travels
27-Consumed
28-Butter; more
29-Turner's
30-Willow
31-Loose
32-Perish
33-Spelling book
34-Humour
35-Waited
36-Child's company

DOWN

1-Roman idyl
2-End of March
3-Kind of tree
4-Printer's measure
5-Impute one
6-Diving
7-Whimsical
8-We too
9-Among
10-Road
11-Delivered of Zeus
12-Experienced soldier
13-Phila
14-Short-sleeved blouse
15-Deer
16-Literary mode
17-Run out
18-Jewel
19-Flower
20-Happen again
21-Wigwag
22-Illness
23-Turn
24-Approach
25-Withdraw
26-Flowers
27-Run over fence
28-Anger
29-Pink
30-Fall to follow suit
31-Nile river
32-Wild
33-Melancholy
34-Ornery island
35-Containing foam
36-To the right
37-Note of scale
38-Perform



Girls' and Boys' Corner

Dear Kiddies,
Last week's competition was very well done. Some of you, however, said that the second fruit was a "melon." This was incorrect, it was a "lemon."

The prize-winners this week are:—
Shelagh Close (aged 11) 39/3
Nathan Read, Kowloon.

Joan Andrews (aged 9), 45 Morrison Hill Road, Happy Valley.
Gerald Marshall (aged 8), 4 Hillwood Road.

Coupons have been sent to Shelagh, Joan and Gerald which I want you to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

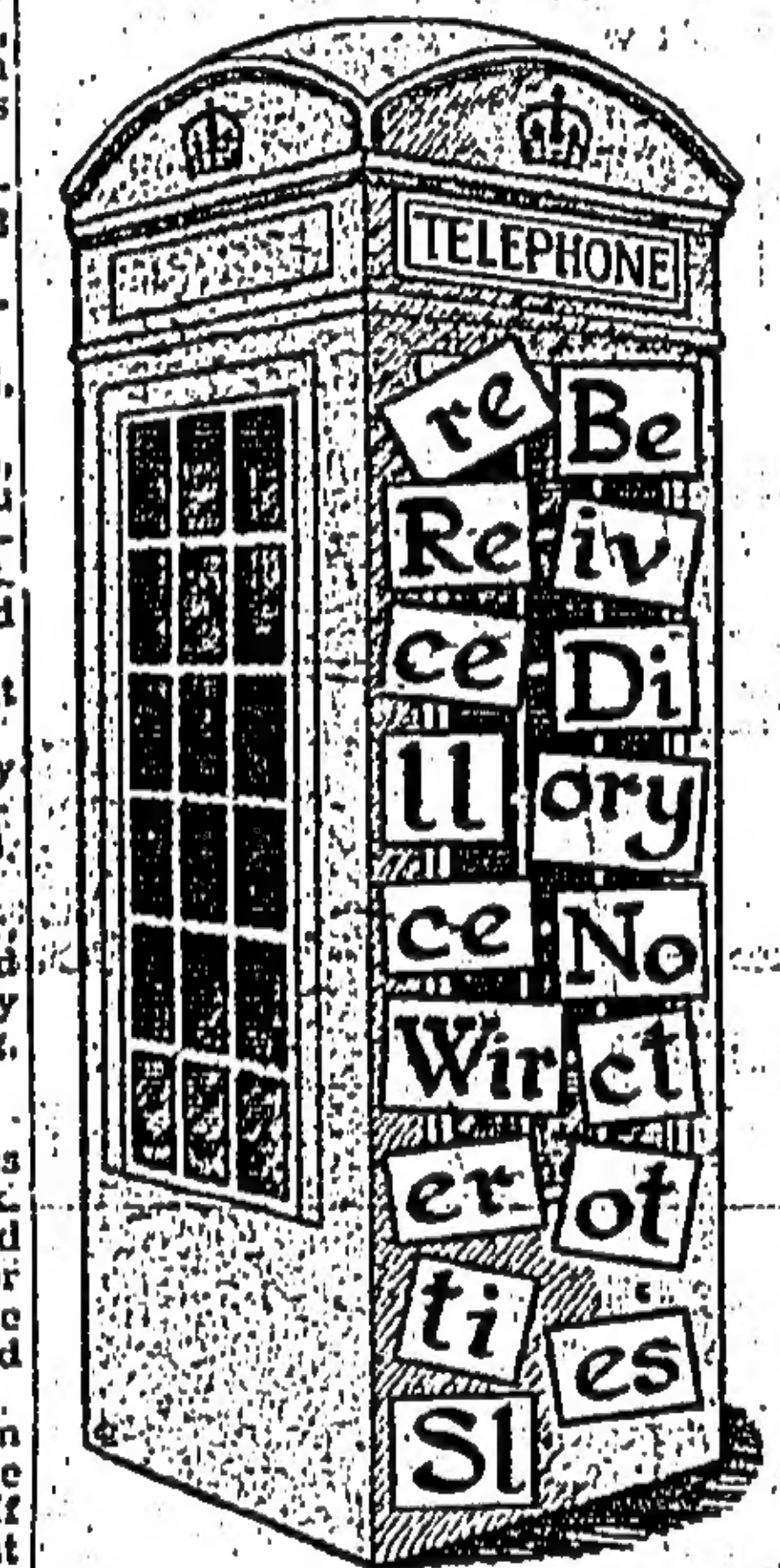
Specially commended for excellent work are the following:
Seniors: Wilbur Marshall, Audrey Heath, Priscilla Wheeler, Joan Gordon, Joan Daniel, Chan Ling, B. Becker, Reginald Cullen.

Intermediates: Anthony Cuthbert, C. Robertson, Joan Thomson, Donald Marshall, Paddy Grimmit, Betty Young, George Ferrier, Moses Wong, D. Ableson.

Juniors: Timothy Haulon.
This week's competition puzzle has been made out of the telephone box. We looked inside the box and noted down six things always seen on or about a public telephone; then the names were cut into pieces and jumbled, as seen above.

You are invited to put them together again correctly. Thus, one name is Re-ceiver-Receiver. If you can make out the others too, list them neatly and fill in the name, age and address coupon. All entries must reach Uncle Eddie, "Hongkong Telegraph" before 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Uncle Eddie



Australian Air Power

Sydney, Mar 1.
Australia is fast becoming a great air power secure from any attack, it was announced yesterday. Under the Empire scheme planes of the Royal Australian Air Force are being increased by sevenfold.

The Australian Cabinet has appointed a Commission to supervise local production and maintenance of aircraft.

The number of Australian pilots to be trained for the Empire training scheme is to be increased by 4,000 to 14,300, according to Mr. R. G. Menzies, Prime Minister, in a broadcast in German. The strength of the Air Force will eventually be 58,000.—
Reuter Bulletin.



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Snacks From Left-Over

THERE are three methods of skillfully disguising left-overs—the soufflé, custard, and batter way. The soufflé way can be used for all foods, savoury or sweet, such as milk puddings, or macaroni and cheese. The following recipes show what can be done:—

Cauliflower and Cheese Soufflé

Some cauliflower and about 1 teacup white sauce. Break up cauliflower into neat sprigs, and lay in bottom of pie-dish. To the white sauce add a teacup grated cheese, seasoning, and the yolk of an egg. Beat the white of the egg till it is so stiff it stands up in peaks. Fold into white sauce, pour over cauliflower.

Bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes. Serve at once.

Note:—Cabbage or boiled horseradish beans are delicious served in this way.

Peach or Pineapple Soufflé

A few tinned peaches or cubes of pineapple with a little of the juice, and 1 breakfastcup custard or milk pudding, which has been left over.

Put the fruit in the bottom of the pie-dish, and sprinkle with sugar. A sprinkling of chopped nuts and a squeeze of lemon juice is an improvement, but not necessary.

Stir the juice of fruit into the custard, and beat in the yolk of an egg till smooth. Then fold in the stiffly beaten white, pour over the fruit, and bake 20 minutes.

With Steamed Puddings

The custard way is suitable for using up the remains of all steamed puddings. What is left over can be rumpled—milked or cut into neat puddings with a large dessertspoon custard powder and 1 breakfastcup dice and put in a pie-dish. Make a powder and 1 breakfastcup milk.

Pour over pudding, and allow to cook 1 hour. Press down well with knife. Sprinkle over with desiccated coconut, and bake in moderate oven 30 minutes.

For Meat and Fish Dishes

The batter way is the most popular method for meat, fish, and stewed fruit.

Batter:—2 tablespoons flour, 1 egg, seasoning, 1 breakfastcup milk. Make 1 hour before required.

This makes a tasty dish poured



A new length—above the knees—beach coat of light blue terry cloth with a detachable hood is worn over a red, white and blue plique bathing suit. The girl standing wears a ballerina style bathing suit of blue, white and rose checked cotton with pants and girdle of white elastic satin.

Cold Porridge Scones Uses For Old Towels

Knend as much oatmeal into the porridge as it will take up. Roll out to 1/2-inch thick. Bake on a hot griddle, first on one side, then on the other, till ready.

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over a mixture of mince, haddock and macaroni baked 30 minutes. Also it can be steamed, mixing batter with 4 ozs scrums of meat, herbs, and 1/2 teacup baking powder. Steam 1 hour.

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In sandpapering wooden surfaces prior to painting, you will find the sandpaper much easier to handle if it is folded over a small block of wood.

St. Valentine's Day



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I TELL YOU IT ISN'T MY FAULT... I DIDN'T START THE FOOL BUSINESS.

ST. VALENTINE FINALLY HAS HIS SAY.



THE 'SENTIMENT' YOUR TEEN ARE LIKE THE THROBBLING STARS THEY ALL COME OUT AT NIGHT. YOUR LEGS ARE LIKE PANDORA'S BOX YOUR EYES ARE CROSSED AS TEES YOU'D MAKE SOME ONE A VALENTINE BUT NOT MINE... IF YOU PLEASE.

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RED AIR FORCE OUT OF DATE WITHIN 2 YEARS

AIR experts closely watching the Russian-Finnish war in the air believe that the Soviet Air Force will be obsolete in two years unless they can buy new machines from other countries.

Russia's best bombers are being outmatched by the new machines that are arriving in Finland; her pilots are being out-manoeuvred, and—as far as is known—Russia has no new designs to throw into the fight.

Here are some facts and pointers about the air war in Finland which I have gathered from expert observers:

(1) On the outbreak of the war Russia had between 4,000 and 5,000 machines. Additional aircraft which she had was mostly obsolete. Finland had about 60 fighters, but new supplies have since arrived, and one of the most effective has been the old British Bulldog.

Before the war the Finns operated about seven types of first-line aircraft, but, with the new types arriving, their air force will be trebled or quadrupled.

(2) Russia has lost about 240 machines since war broke out, 50 of them brought down by anti-aircraft fire. The Finns have lost 15.

(3) The capacity of the Soviet aircraft industry is the largest in the world. But its output is not in keeping with its capacity. It lost many of its best technicians in the 1937 purge; new designers and technicians of all kinds are badly needed.

It can produce about 5,000 machines a year, and about 15,000 aeroplane engines. But output is not nearly so great as it should be. Russia has always had to rely on foreign designs for new aircraft. Since 1937 she has attempted to produce her own types but the effort has failed.

Pilots Badly Trained

(4) The Russian Air Force are under the operational command of the Army. They have not been trained to employ strategic bombardment, which makes it unlikely that they will achieve much success from long-range bombing. The parachute troop dropping campaign has failed. Troops were killed by rifle fire as they came down.

(5) Russian attacks recently have been carried out with much more success both on military and strategic objectives. Many of their pilots are not very well trained, but the Finns have spoken highly of individual exploits by Russian pilots.

The Finnish fighters have stood up to the test excellently. In the early days of the war some pilots went up on three or four flights a day.

One of the drawbacks of the Russian technique is the dual-order system under which the Air Force operates. Orders have to be given by the commanding officer and the Political Commissar.

Footnote.—Experts believe that, with the new supplies that are going to Finland, the Finns can hold the Russian Air Force in check.

Winged Aircraft's Safe Return

Here is a story, told for the first time, of a British aircraft's struggle home after an air battle over the North Sea recently. Early in the engagement this aircraft was holed by a cannon shell in the starboard wing. Despite this, it continued on its course, keeping in formation.

On the return flight, within a few miles of England, further trouble developed, owing to a bullet in the engine. The pilot struggled to keep up flying speed. As he made the coast he was losing height rapidly, but he sighted an aerodrome and made a skilful landing.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of China's generalissimo, saluted by war orphans at Chungking, as she visited them and distributed sweets and nuts.

Canada's Air Town Is Two Miles Long

Trenton, Ontario, has an "air town" practically complete in itself to house officers and men of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

The buildings, in the white stucco which is being made standard for military buildings in Canada, stretch for two miles along the shores of the Bay of Quinte, a deep inlet off Lake Ontario.

HE WARNED HIS GUARDS, THEN SAID GOOD-BYE

AN anxious mother sat in her home at Cheltenham waiting for news of her airman son, whose exploit in escaping from neutral internment was one of the most thrilling episodes of the war.

The airman is twenty-one-year-old Richard Frewen Martin, who was held by the Luxembourg authorities when his plane came down on the wrong side of the border.

Parcels of clothing sent by his mother enabled him to make his escape.

Until he got this clothing he could not go out into the streets of Luxembourg, since it is against the law to wear the uniform of a belligerent in a neutral country.

Then Martin withdrew his parole, which was, of course, equivalent to warning his Luxembourg "hosts" that he meant to escape.

After that he was accompanied everywhere by an escort.

An escort was with him one night after dinner, when he had been given permission to take a stroll on the ramparts of the fortress of St. Esprit, where he was imprisoned.

Away

Suddenly Martin stopped, turned to the escort, stood to attention, and said politely in the Luxembourg dialect, which he was learning: "Good evening, and thank you."

Then, in an instant he scaled the wall and slid down the steep rock in the darkness.

French gendarmes told the Sunday Express Luxembourg correspondent that he crossed into France near Evrange.

German radio allegations that Martin broke his parole are scorned by the Luxembourg people, who tell every one (including their German neighbours) that as he had given fair warning he was not bound by the parole.

Martin was educated at Cheltenham College and trained for the R.A.F. at Cranwell, where he won the Groves Cup for superb flying.

A Sunday Express correspondent was told at the Martins' home that Mrs. Martin had not yet had any official news of her son's escape, nor had she heard from Richard himself.

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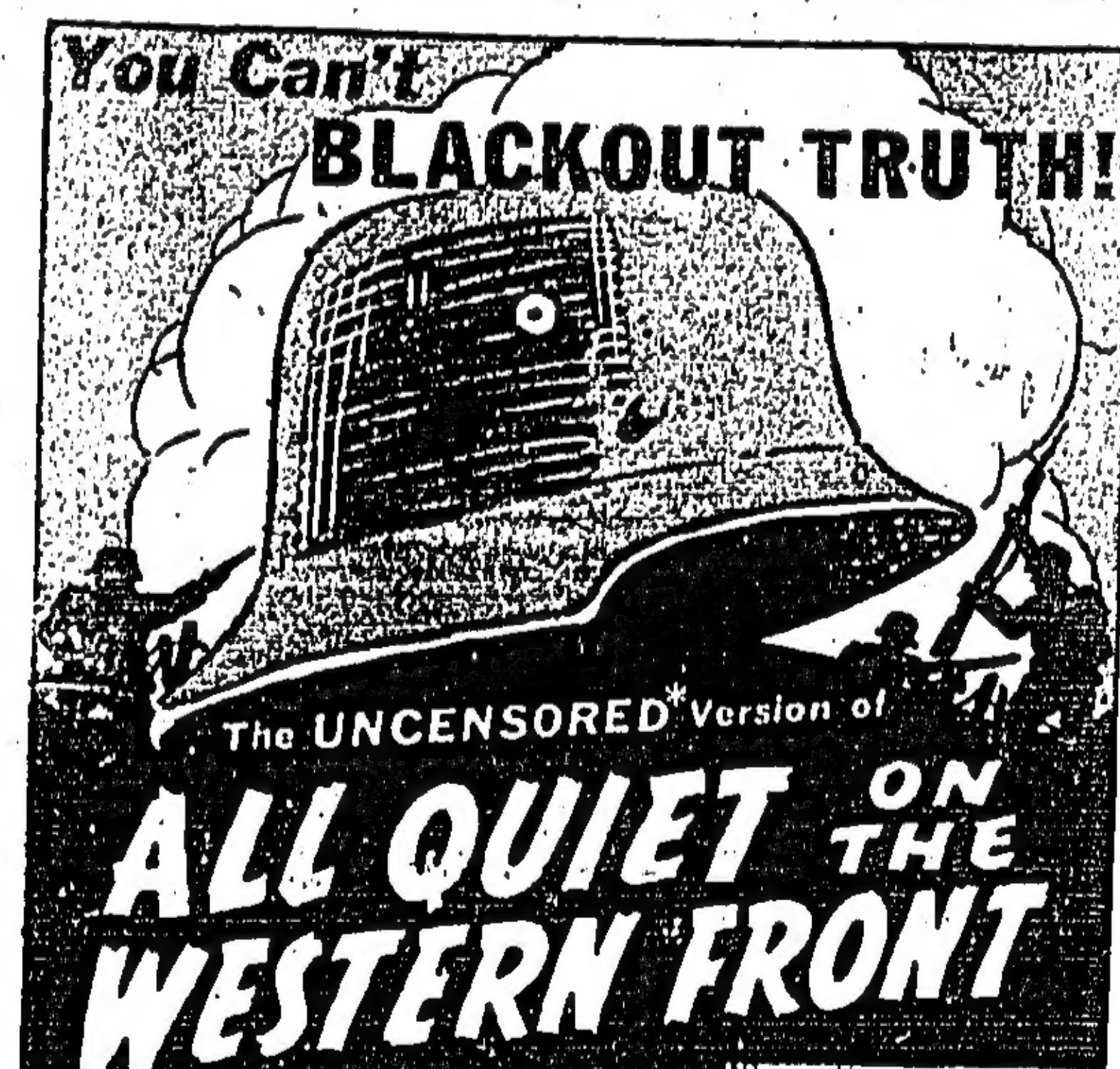
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LATE NEWS

Rumania Calls Up More Men

BUCHAREST, March 1 (Domei).—With the Balkan tension still remaining unabated, Rumania to-day called 200,000 reserves to the Colours, bringing the total strength of men in arms to 600,000.
It is reported that a large-scale concentration of troops is in progress in the recently-constructed Carol Line along the border with the Soviet Union.

Roosevelt Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 1 (UP).—The divorce trial between Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt revealed that Mrs. Roosevelt had agreed to divorce James only after a long period of strained relations during which she twice rejected his pleas for a divorce.
The immediate hearing of the case was made possible when James announced he was not contesting the charges.

No Nazi Goods For Italy

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Domei).—Ships carrying German goods to Italy will not be exempted from the British contraband control beginning March 1, it was officially announced to-day.
It was understood that hitherto German goods destined for Italy have not been seized.

Pyrrhus En Route To Hongkong

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The Pyrrhus was sunk by enemy action in broad daylight off the west coast of England with a loss of eight lives.
The missing men were Chinese firemen. There were no passengers aboard.
The Pyrrhus was bound for the Far East.

Enemy Copyright In Hongkong

A Bill to make such special provision with respect to trade marks to meet any emergency which may arise as a result of war will shortly be introduced in the Legislative Council, states a Government Gazette issued to-day.

The object of this bill is to suspend the trade mark rights in Hongkong of an enemy or an enemy subject where it is difficult or impracticable to describe an article or substance without the use of such trade mark.

The effect of the bill is to enable persons desiring to trade in products formerly protected by trade marks registered in the names of enemies and enemy subjects to obtain a licence suspending the rights of such enemies and enemy subjects for such period as will enable the new product to become known on the local market.

Provision is made to enable an enemy to file an application for registration of a trade mark but no certificate will be issued until the conclusion of the war.
Power is given to the Chief Justice to make rules and prescribe fees with the approval and concurrence of the Legislative Council.

To Seek Passage Through Dardanelles

ROME, March 1 (Domei).—It is authoritatively learned that the Italian Government will ask the Turkish Government to invoke Article 21 of the Montreux Convention enabling Italian warships to enter the Black Sea and protect Italian merchant ships in the Sea.
It is also understood that the British Government also has requested the Turkish Government to accord free passage to British warships through the Dardanelles.

CHUNGKING EVACUATION

Forestall Repetition Of Disasters

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The Compulsory Evacuation Programme in Chungking began yesterday under the direction of Chungking Defence Headquarters which sent out squadrons of workers to visit every house in the city to check up inhabitants not possessing legitimate domicile permits or without employment.

All such no given five days' grace to evacuate after which a second check-up will be conducted.
Three days after the second check-up, the residences of all not possessing domicile permits will be sealed.
River steamers will transport evacuees from the city free of charge, while bus and track fares will be greatly reduced.

To Prevent Influx
A cordon of inspection stations is already set up in the suburbs of the city to prevent an influx of all those fleeing urgent business reasons.

With the approach of the "air raid" season, the city government is making every effort to reduce the city's present population, which is apparently as high as last spring, in order to forestall a repetition of last year's events.

The Chungking Defence Headquarters have already prepared an evacuation schedule for all governmental offices having no compelling reason to remain in Chungking.

Five British Airmen Escape

BRUSSELS, Mar. 1 (UP).—It is reliably learned that the escape of five British air men from Antwerp actually occurred two months ago but was kept secret until now and became known through alleged indiscretions of some of those who escaped after they reached England.

At that time, according to a reliable source, the Belgian Government at the request of the British Ambassador, ordered the accommodation building in which the British air men were interned to be altered and made more comfortable, whereupon the guard relaxed and the airmen were sometimes allowed to visit the town, allegedly upon the pledge that they would not try to escape. After their escape the guard over the remainder of the prisoners was reinforced.

Air Raid Wardens To Be Organised

The establishment and regulation of the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens is provided for in a Bill which will be shortly introduced in the Legislative Council states a Government Gazette issued to-day.
The object of the bill is to organise the Air Raid Wardens into a corps with their rights and duties defined under statutory enactment.

Milk And Macon M.P. Dead

LONDON, Mar. 1 (UP).—Mr. Frederick A. MacQuisten died to-day at the age of 69.
He was notable in Parliament for his opposition to milk pasteurisation and, since the outbreak of war, for coining the word "macon," the substitute for bacon.

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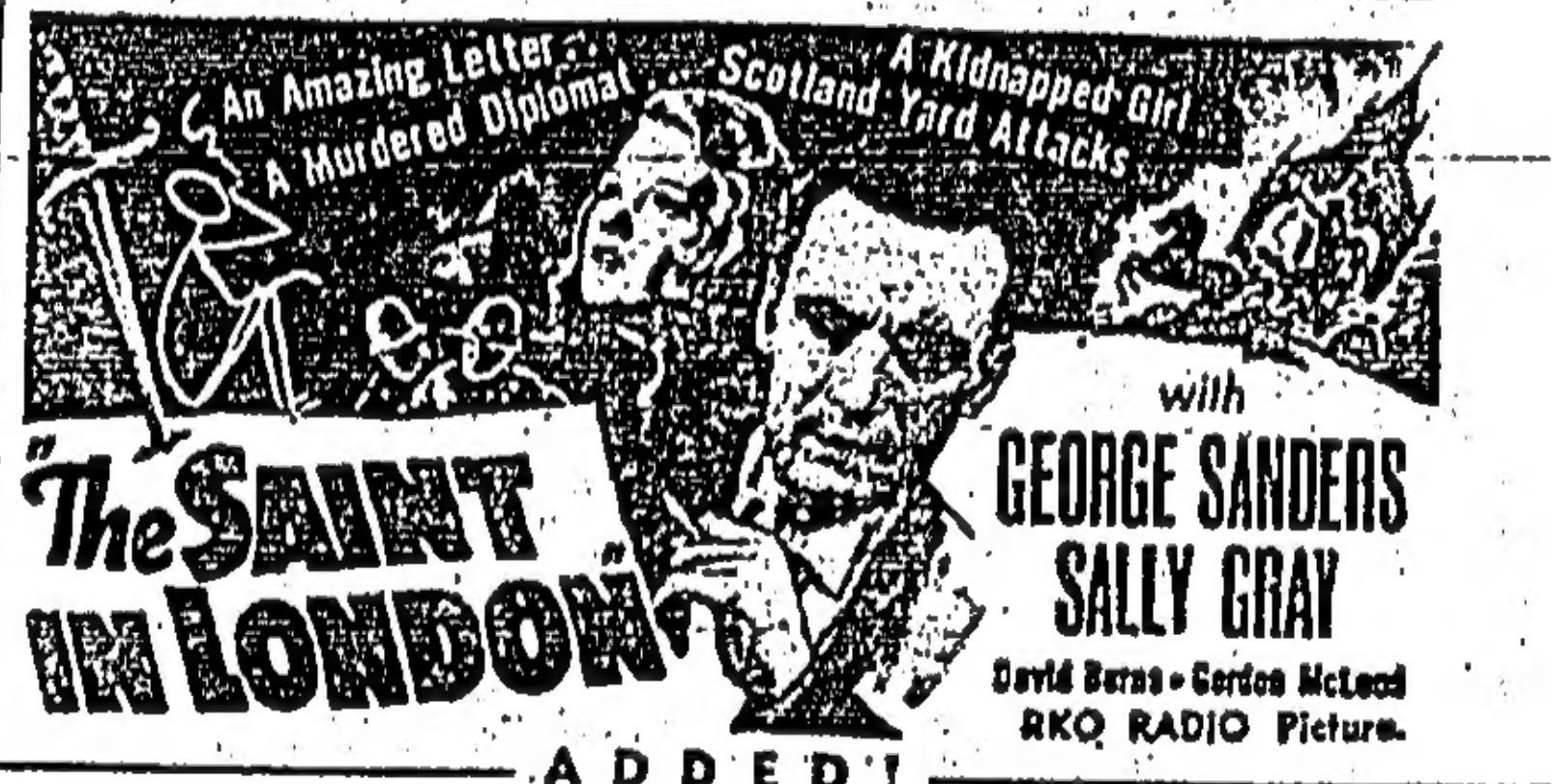
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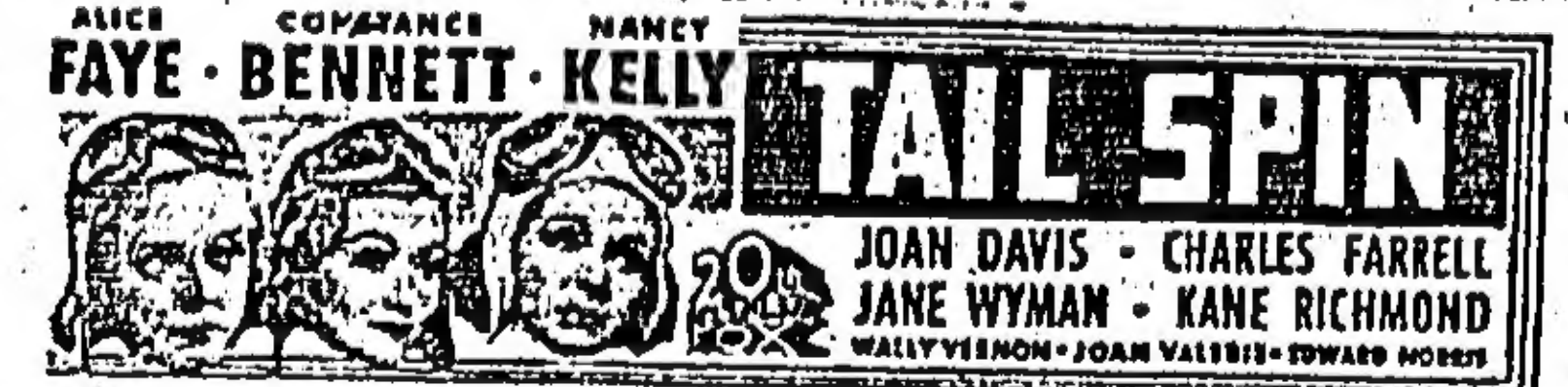
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More Support For General Smuts
Imperial Airways Liner Overdue

LONDON, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—More support for General Smuts was shown yesterday in a provincial by-election in West Transvaal. The candidate who supports General Smuts was elected by a wide majority over Dr. Molan's candidate.

CALCUTTA, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—Efforts are being made to trace an Imperial Airways liner which left Jiwana (Arabia) at 5.30 a.m. to-day and should have reached Sharjah at 10.30 a.m.
Up to to-night, it had not arrived.

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